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HK Story Arouses Colonial Office

(Our Own Correspondent)
London, June 2.—The Colonial Office took today the unusual course of commenting on a special article appearing in the London Times concerning Hongkong.
It was apparent Colonial Office officials were considerably alarmed by the adverse comment in London as contained in the article.
The writer mentioned the necessity of a modern airport to replace Kai Tak. Criticizing the necessity for the British Government to put up the money, the writer omitted to mention the answer to the House of Commons question on April 20.
A Colonial Office spokesman told me: "His Majesty's Government is now prepared to make a grant up to £3,000,000 to supplement local contributions."
INDIGNANT DENIAL
Furthermore, the writer of the Times article mentioned the feeling of British residents concerning the lease expiring in 1997.
The Colonial Office indignantly remarked that the correspondent was ignorant in his facts. Hongkong Island is held in lease in perpetuity. Kowloon only is leased until 1997.
Concluding its onslaught against the Times writer the Colonial Office stated that the final paragraph was "not true." In this paragraph the Times correspondent stated that the Colonial Office insisted that municipal elections be held on a wide franchise against the opinion of the local Hongkong Government and the educated Chinese residents.
London repeats this isn't true.
THE TIMES' STORY
London, June 2.—According to today's London Times, a campaign by the Chinese Government against Hongkong, based on the demand for the retrocession of British "rights" there, will be intensified if the Kuomintang becomes a "stable" Government.
"Hongkong is vulnerable to a two-fold pressure," the Times special correspondent in Hongkong wrote. "A blockade from the mainland would soon cause its entrepot trade to wither. It would then be easy for a hostile regime across the frontier to infiltrate and gain control of the Chinese labour on which both the port and the public services depend."
The Kuomintang has never concealed its opinion that British rule constitutes an infringement of Chinese sovereignty.
"A strong Communist regime on the mainland would be quite as insistent" as the Kuomintang on the retrocession of British rights.
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China's New Premier



Wang Wen-hao (above), 59, Canada educated geologist and former minister of economic affairs, who has become China's Premier.

Canton Claim And Sale Of Warships

London, June 2.—When the Finnish Secretary to the Admiralty, Mr. John Dugdale, reported in the House of Commons today that China had bought a cruiser and eight launches from Britain, a Member asked if cash had been paid "in view of the fact that the Chinese Government on the Canton claim." The reference was to the claim for indemnity by Britain for damage caused when the British Consulate was set on fire in anti-British demonstrations in Canton in January this year.
Mr. Dugdale had told Mr. Piratin (Communist) that since his reply to a former question on March 3 about British ships loaned or transferred to China there had been further negotiations with the Chinese Government.
As a result, the 5,200-ton cruiser Aurora and eight harbour defence motor launches which it was previously intended to transfer on loan had been bought by the Chinese Government.
MENDIP ON LOAN
The 1,000-ton destroyer, Mendip, had been loaned for a period not exceeding five years. When Mr. Piratin asked for the price paid, or the basis on which the loan was made.
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Cease Fire Order Not Yet Effective

MORE FIGHTING IN JERUSALEM

Arabs' Truce Terms

London, June 2.—An hour before the Security Council met tonight at Lake Success to consider conditions laid down by Jews and Arabs for acceptance of a truce in Palestine, the Arab Legion said the Jews today attacked the Old City of Jerusalem, and that 100 of them were killed by Arab shellfire.
Despite assertions last night by the Jews and by some Arab leaders that cease-fire orders, in accordance with the Security Council's demands, had gone out of the fronts, military action was reported from several areas of the Holy Land.
In Jerusalem, Arab Legion combat troops and irregulars crouched in fighting position around the high battlemented walls of Jerusalem's Old City today under orders not to fire unless fired on from Jewish positions.

But no peace came to Jerusalem for Jewish mortar shells sailed over the Old City walls at 4 p.m. local time today, exploding around Arab positions.
Short bursts of machine-gun fire followed.
From Beirut, the Lebanese Prime Minister, Riad El Solh, said the Arab states had accepted the Security Council's cease-fire appeal "in principle" and were now awaiting the Council's decisions.
"If these decisions serve the interests of Palestine and the Arab countries, who want to save Palestine from the Zionist threat, we will order a cease-fire," he said.
"Otherwise the war will continue."

2.—They note the Security Council has taken into consideration their previous observation that a cease-fire should be the only means of finding a just solution, long overdue.
Consequently, the Arab States are pleased to note the appointment of a mediator by the Security Council who will contact both sides in Palestine, if and when a cease-fire becomes operative, with a view to carrying out the mission entrusted to him by the General Assembly.

POLITICAL UNITY
3.—The main object of the mediator's mission is to reach a peaceful and just solution of the Palestine problem.
The Arab Governments are certain that the mediator, on behalf of the United Nations as well as the members of the Truce Commission appointed by the Security Council on April 22, will find that any solution which does not preserve the political unity of Palestine and take into consideration the will of the majority of its people will have no chance of success.

4.—There is no doubt, it is against the purpose of the cease-fire order to open the doors of Palestine to Jewish immigrants, to permit a flood of Jewish immigrants of military age, who are awaiting the first opportunity of entering the country from different parts of Europe and Africa without any object other than joining the Zionist terrorism.
This is the greatest menace to the existence of the Palestine Arabs and to the maintenance of security in the Middle East.

5.—The Arab Governments feel that the Security Council's aim cannot possibly be to allow the Zionists to profit from the cease-fire by introducing in Palestine more men who, though entering under the guise of immigrants, would, in reality, be trained combatants under the second paragraph of the Security Council's resolution—that prohibiting combatants of either side from entering Palestine during the cease-fire.

6.—The Arab Governments are desirous of seeing the appointment of an efficient impartial body to supervise the carrying out of the Security Council's decision and conditions relative to the cease-fire with scrupulous care.
7.—The Arab Governments do not feel that the Security Council's resolution contains an adequate guarantee that the other side will respect the rules and conditions of the cease-fire order.
For that reason, the Arab Governments, in their capacity as members of the regional organization responsible for preserving order in their area, are desirous of co-operating with the mediator and Truce Commission in supervising the execution of the cease-fire rules and conditions.

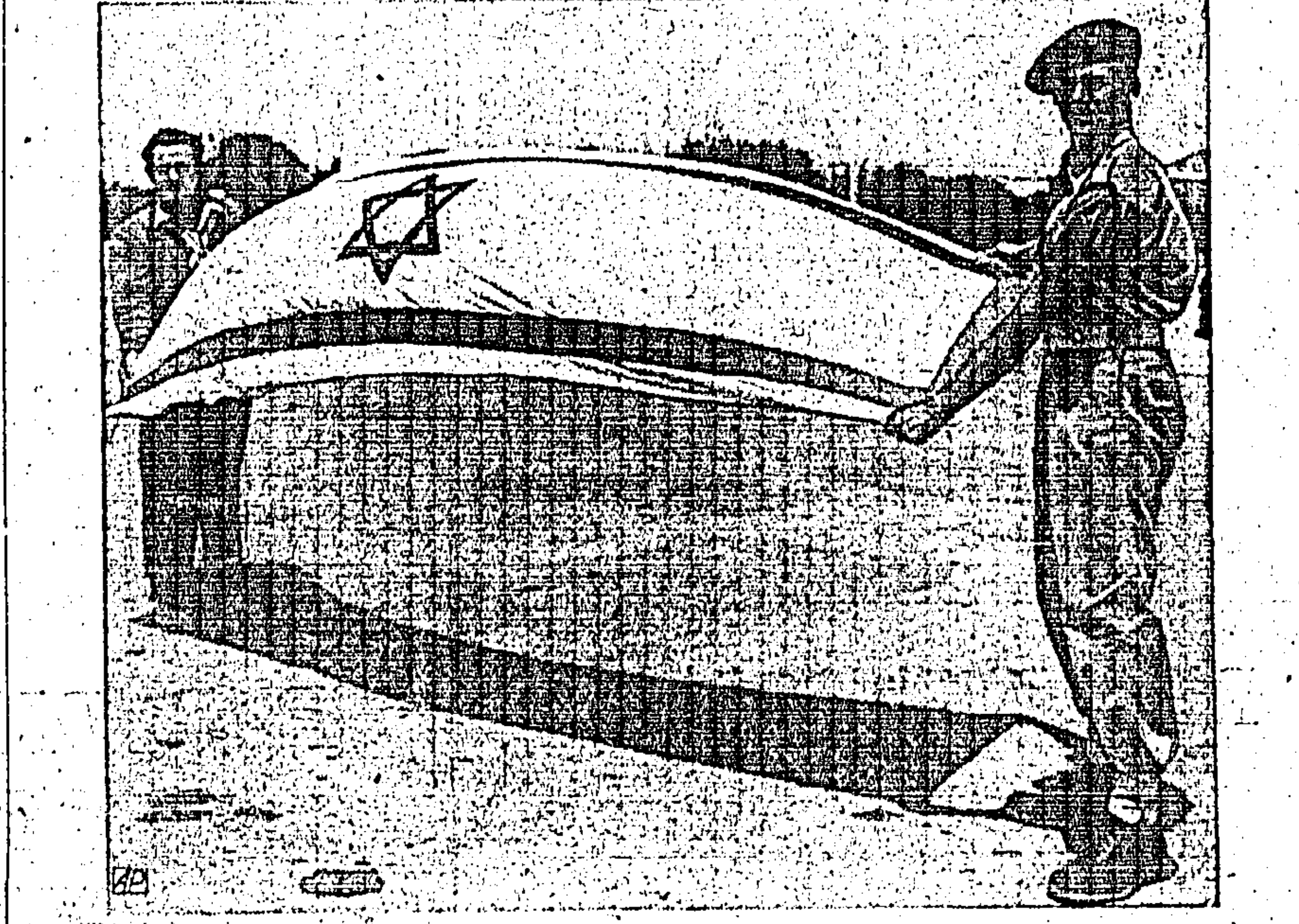
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GUARANTEES NEEDED
Cairo, June 2.—The Arab Governments, in their reply to the United Nations Security Council's truce plan, reiterated that there was need for guarantees in Palestine without which a cease-fire would be merely an uneasy interval leading to wider-scale disturbances and further violence.
The Arab reply, released for publication in Cairo today, made the following nine points.
1.—The Arab Governments reaffirm that nothing is nearer to their hearts' desire than the return of peace in Palestine, and to see the day in which Palestine's population—Arab and Jew alike—will live amicably side by side in complete understanding.
2.—The Arab Governments reiterate that there is need for guarantees in Palestine without which a cease-fire would be merely an uneasy interval leading to wider-scale disturbances and further violence.

The Flag Of Israel



A Hagannah military policeman and an unidentified Jewish official hold the flag of newly-proclaimed Jewish state of Israel at airport in Haifa.

US To Spend Billions On Defence

Washington, June 2.—A record peacetime Army-Air Force Appropriation Bill was passed by the House of Representatives today and sent to the Senate.
The measure provides \$6,500,000,000 for the two Services for the new fiscal year starting July 1.
The House of Representatives is due to debate tomorrow another record peacetime defence money bill—a \$3,680,733,250 measure financing the Navy for the next fiscal year.
The funds included for the Army, Navy and Air Force total \$10,180,733,250.
The House Appropriations Committee also called a meeting tomorrow morning to draft a measure financing the foreign aid programme.
The debate on the Army-Air Force bill lasted less than two hours and fewer than 50 Members took the floor during the discussion, which was confined to explanations of the bill's provisions.
The budget for \$10,180,733,250 had been recommended by Congress earlier today by the House Appropriations Committee.—Reuter.

Grim Admission By Stafford Cripps

TRADE DEFICIT UNDERESTIMATED

London, June 2.—The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps frankly conceded today that the Government underestimated its trade deficit for the first six months of 1948 by £73,000,000—46 percent.
He told a press conference that if the present trade continues, Government might have to cut further its imports of food and raw materials. These already have been pared to what the Cabinet regards as minimum necessary for Britain's recovery.
Furthermore, he said, the Government has abandoned hope of balancing Britain's overall trade by the end of the year unless world prices fall.
He attributed Government's difficulties chiefly to rising prices particularly in the United States.
"What action we shall have to take in relation to this state of affairs must depend on the developments of the next few months," he said.
The governing factor in the whole situation will no doubt be American internal price level which powerfully affects the whole world price level in primary commodities and foodstuffs. If American prices continue to rise, world prices will almost certainly keep in step.
HARVEST PROSPECTS
"On the other hand, there is prospect of a good world harvest and this might have quite an effect upon the level of food prices and so upon other commodities."
"If on balance import prices continue to rise and export prices to lag further and further behind them, we shall obviously have to examine our import programmes again."
Sir Stafford Cripps said that other considerations Britain's trade deficit for the first four months of the year was "probably something less than £100,000,000."
This is the equivalent of a deficit of £100,000,000 for the first half of 1948. Cripps' economic survey issued less than three months ago estimated a deficit for the first six months of the year at only £87,000,000.
DOLLAR SWITCHES
Breaking down the figures, Cripps said that the Government actually had switched more purchases from the dollar to the non-dollar area than had been envisioned in the economic survey. Thus the deficit with the Western Hemisphere was £100,000,000 compared with the economic survey estimate of £102,000,000.
Sir Stafford Cripps said that the estimated trade balances with the sterling area and with the rest of the world had been covered seriously by rising prices. Britain sold £27,000,000 worth more of goods to the rest of the sterling area than it imported but this was £15,000,000 less than estimated.
Britain's trade deficit with the rest of the world totalled £27,000,000 whereas the economic survey had predicted a surplus of £33,000,000.
DANGER LEVEL
Sir Stafford Cripps conceded that Britain has already run its gold and dollar reserves down to danger level in meeting its trade deficit with dollar countries.
"We said the Government nevertheless felt further drawings were justified because Britain would receive some dollars back later in the form of the European Recovery Programme."
Although his economic survey is already out of date, Sir Stafford Cripps said that he did not contemplate issuing a new one until next year. He said that there would probably be alterations in the 1948 survey however.
Asked about British press reports that he would go to Canada and the United States soon, Sir Stafford Cripps said: "No such trip has been arranged, but in any case I should wait until I were asked."—United Press.

EDITORIAL

Vile Accusations

THE Palestine problem—which is the problem of how in the long run Jews and Arabs are going to live and work peacefully side by side in the same small country—is difficult enough. It is being made far more difficult by the reckless and irresponsible partisanship of people thousands of miles away from that tragic country, and by reckless and irresponsible allegations which are being made all over the world that the British Government is supplying the Arab States with arms and money and officers to "invade" Palestine and attack the Republic of Israel. "Britain," says one United States Senator, stands before the world self-convinced as the Power behind the breach of the peace. That is rhetoric. What are the facts? It is certainly true that Britain for years past has been supplying arms to Egypt, Iraq and Transjordan; that their armies have been largely British trained; that one of them—Transjordan—receives a yearly subsidy from the British Government. What is not true is that this assistance has been given them in order that they can fight the Jews in Palestine. It has been given them in order to provide the Middle Eastern area with adequate forces for the defence of its own security. And the security of that area is a vital interest—as surely it was realised between 1940 and 1945—not only of the British Commonwealth but of all peaceful nations. After the first World War Britain herself was responsible for the security of most of the Middle East. There were British armies in Egypt, Iraq and Transjordan, as well as in Palestine. And the armies of

these States were themselves under British control and command. Egypt was a British protectorate, Iraq and Transjordan were British mandated territories. British policy was to relinquish these controls, to give all these countries their independence. All three are now independent States. And as British troops withdrew and local armies passed out of British control it was plainly Britain's duty to help the States to create, organise and equip their own defence forces. The full extent of so-called "British aid to the Arab States" has, under treaty arrangements, been the right for these States to buy their military equipment in Britain, and in the case of Transjordan, the services of 30 British officers and a subsidy of £2,000,000 a year. That and nothing more. Moreover, since the beginning of the year Britain has prohibited any further supply of arms to the Middle East. Existing contracts are being fulfilled by firms which had made them. There is no lawful ground for breaching them. But no more orders are accepted. Treaty obligations are still being fulfilled, but even in this respect the British Government has bowed to public opinion and withdrawn 21 officers attached to the Arab Legion in Palestine. And as further evidence of Britain's determination to do all she can to resolve the tragic Palestine situation, she has announced that when both Arabs and Jews effect a truce, arms shipments to the Middle East will be stopped forthwith. It is only too plain that allegations of Britain encouraging bloodshed in the Holy Land cannot stand the test of investigation.

INCH-BY-INCH BATTLE WITH FLOOD WATERS

Portland, Oregon, June 2.—Civilian volunteers were late this afternoon fighting an inch-by-inch battle with the flood waters of the Columbia River sweeping down the Clatskanie area between Portland and the Pacific Coast.

The swirling river was reported to be less than three inches from the dyke tops and to be still rising. The 1,000 inhabitants of Clatskanie have been evacuated to places of safety as have the residents of other districts of the danger area.

Although the crest of the flood passed Portland yesterday, Army engineers still described the situation as "critical" in six areas from there to the Pacific.

Along Portland's northern and eastern outskirts, 200 troops and 700 civilian volunteers were struggling to bolster the flood-battered dykes and to save Portland's airport and the big Troutdale aluminium plant from inundation.

Up the river, the worst was past and check was being taken of the devastation and loss of life. Twenty persons were known to have died and an unknown number were unaccounted for at Vanport, where 50,000 lost their homes and the damage runs into millions of dollars.

Elsewhere in the province, floods continued unabated. Residents of Trail, just north of the Canadian-United States border, were frantically bolstering dykes and retreating walls as the flood waters seeped into the business district.—Reuter.

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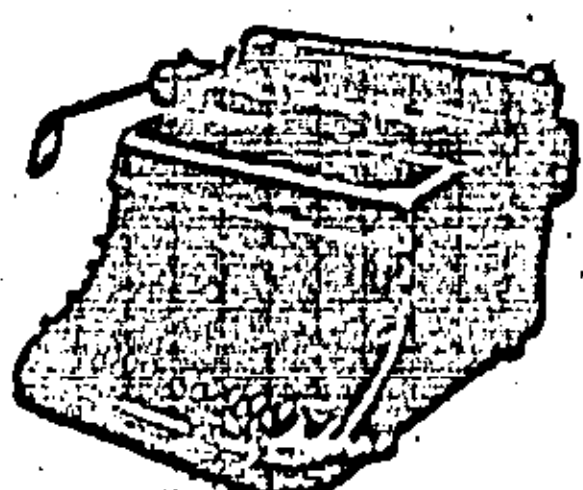
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WOMANSENSE

PATRICIA LENNARD'S FASHION NOTEBOOK

SHOWER SENSE

PARIS pours out feminine raincoats, proofed gloves, gay umbrellas. American women can buy gabardine and silk mackintoshes, water-thin, and pretty rubber overcoats.

But, rainy England has less variety in attractive weather-wear for the average woman.

A rainy day needs bright colours and pastels, and though plastics and rubber-lined nylon coats have done a good deal to dispel gloom, most women would prefer a raincoat that retains the look and all-round wearing qualities of a proofed gabardine or silk—and in a wide range of colours, instead of the inevitable putty, fawn and slate range.

Although only one London couturier included a raincoat in his collection, (Hartnell hooded coat in a glowing pink—sketched by Virginia on extreme right), Paris designers showed at least one or two in each collection, usually in pastels.

Best of the bunch was Hermes' raglan-sleeved coat, the sleeves continuing from the shoulders into long wide scarf ends that tie in a protective hood over the head, or round the neck as a scarf (left).



Another kind of wet weather idea just arrived is Aquascutum's showerproof checks and matching fully-lined topcoat, in checked, plain and herringbone practical together or apart (centre).

To complete this outdoor ensemble, latest protection for the head is the three-way plastic (L.L.-Loose) scarf, complete with an inner loop for hairpins, and can cover the head and neck.



BRILLIANT PIANIST

A large body of critical opinion in Britain ranks Moura Lympany as the best contemporary English pianist among women.

Miss Lympany has recently been made a Fellow of the Royal Academy, London—a rare distinction. She was first to play in Britain the concerto of Khachaturian, the brilliant young Russian composer.

We have come to associate the name Amadio with flute playing at its best. There is the brilliant Neville, and the world-famous John, who lives abroad, mainly. But who is the Amadio who played the clarinet in an admired Italian recording of Mozart's concerto for that instrument and orchestra?

PARADISE FOR GADGETEERS

By ANNE EDWARDS

If I had a thousand pounds to spend—and I rubbed shoulders with many who had much more than that in currencies of their own lands—I could have spent the lot at the British Industries Fair on turning my home into a gadget paradise.

Around The Town

with Mercia Hillary

IN his opening address this week at the meeting of the Sino-British Club Dramatic Group, Lt-Col. E. B. Brasler Cresswell, the Secretary and Convener said that it was the purpose of this Group to unite the "astonishing number of active production groups that there are in the Colony."

The Dramatic Group was formed in April 1947 but failed to hold together owing to the fact that so many people were on the move at the time, but the present outlook is much better and if this desired unity can be achieved, it will be possible, by pooling their efforts, to give these various groups the facilities they need, and perhaps later on what are most urgently required such as a theatre, rehearsal room, a library, stores of props, costumes etc.

A club to which members may only take men friends is the International Women's Club. Women who want to use the club are obliged to become members. The club is doing well because it is central and the facilities offered are very welcome to the average working girl—meals at reasonable prices, comfortable chairs to relax in during odd hours and a library numbering about 500 books. There is also a magazine section and a radio and the committee are now thinking of ways and means to secure a piano for future entertainments.

Several writers and would-be writers are showing interest in starting a club, where a monthly or fortnightly meeting for dinner and criticism of one member's work would be possible. Will all short story, poetry or sketch writers who are interested in this scheme, please write to me, care of this paper?

Mr Joe Fromm, Far Eastern Editor of the American weekly magazine, U.S. News World Report, left Hongkong yesterday by P&O for Manila to do a series on Philippine economics and politics for his paper.

Mr Walter Briggs, freelancing for the Christian Science Monitor, arrived from Bangkok this week.

The first 229 10s. might have gone on a machine that peels and washes 3lb. of new potatoes in 15 seconds, makes ice cream in a couple of minutes, makes batter, butter or cakes in a few seconds. It clips to the front of the sink and takes its power from the water tap.

But as I lacked the money, I was able to look on academically as chain-store men from Peru, dollar-spending magnates from New York, and fancy-goods buyers from the East, picked their winners from Britain's biggest-ever shop window.

I watched them admire an electric shoe cleaner with four brushes, one for black, one for brown, one for cleaning, and one for polishing. It absorbs all the dust and dirt that normally flies up in your face, and costs 19 guineas.

For £50 or so they could have had a machine for spraying the floor with polish and an electric mop for polishing the floor afterwards.

Since most of the exhibits will be in our shops by the autumn, I might have chosen either an electric cot blanket for five guineas, or a pair of electrically warmed driving gloves (six guineas), which you plug into the dashboard.

Another five guineas would have bought a neat little electric grill to stand on the breakfast table. It fries the bacon, grills the toast, and heats the coffee all at once, and keeps it all warm for you.

Heading my list of items that cost a guinea and less would be the matchbox camera smaller than a matchbox. It takes 10-millimetre pictures, costs 21s. Two rolls of midge films (six-exposures on each) cost 3s. 2d.

Bright coloured Wellingtons for two-to-three-year-olds, made in emerald, scarlet, and royal blue, seemed sensationally cheap at 6s. 3d. a pair. I could have bought some baby-size hot-water bottles at 5s. each. A new "crescent" for removing nail varnish without carrying up the nail was going for 2s. 6d.

A clever stopper which consists of a cork and a control-gadget so that you can regulate the flow from a drop to a jet (useful for brilliantine or vinegar bottles) cost only 2s. 9d.

And then my feet grew tired. I blame the intelligent-looking young man who "informed me proudly that the whole 11-day Fair had 26 miles of stands, more than a million square feet of display, and 3,400 exhibitors showing the wares of 100 industries."

RED RYDER



Lots of Protection



BY FRED HARMAN



Wash Your Hair Frequently



Before a shampoo, give your hair a thorough brushing to remove surface dust.

By HELEN FOLLETT

TELL me pretty maiden are you taking the best possible care of your hair? Let us hope. Some men say they notice a woman's hair first thing when they meet her. They admire a lovely glossy tangle beautifully arranged. And, it is said, they admire curls. Certainly the coiffure is of first importance.

Don't be afraid to wash your tress-locks frequently. Some movie stars have shampoos and wave sets two or three times a week and look at their lovely hair. Never let your shampoos be spaced farther apart than a fortnight. By that time your tresses have picked up plenty of dust, sweat and sebaceous glands have excluded oil and wastes.

Choice of Shampoo
The choice of the shampoo agent is important. Wash your hands with a harsh soap and they will be raw, the surface will be rough, texture coarse. There is the same mean loss of gloss and delicacy of effect upon the hair. Harsh soaps

appearance. They may cause the shafts to break. Get the blandest soap you can buy, place in a quart Mason jar, fill the jar with boiling water, use the clear top liquid.

Start your shampoo with a vigorous brushing to remove surface dust. Brush the hair forward, then tilt your head back, brush again. Use a good stiff brush for this. Among the new brushes is a curved one with almost nylon bristles and a pretty pearl back.

There are wonderful oil and cream shampoos to be had. If you use a cream shampoo, dig out a little from the jar and apply to the hair when it is moist. Distribute it thoroughly. Keep adding warm water, keep on with the friction. There is no such thing as too much massage when giving a shampoo; it acts as a scalp treatment.

If the hair is clean, each shaft will be away from its neighbour. The growth will be light and fluffy, agreeable to pin curling.

BOYS AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Ting-a-Ling Tells a Story

—It's About a King Called O-So-Good—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, asked their old friend Ting-a-Ling to tell them a story.

"So Ting-a-Ling smiled and sat himself down comfortably under the shade of his cherry tree in the garden with Knarf and Hanid beside him. And after they all had little cups of tea and almond cookies, he said:

King O-So-Good

"Once upon a time there was a King named O-So-Good who had a daughter named O-So-Lovely. And the day came when it was time for O-So-Lovely to choose a husband. Then from far and wide came Princes asking for the hand of O-So-Lovely. Some were tall and handsome, and some were just tall or short. And quite a number were just fat.

"But King O-So-Good said that it didn't matter whether the Princes were tall or short or fat or handsome. The important thing was for them to be good and above all, to be wise. So he watched them closely and sent back those who were not good. And of those who were left he set about finding out which one of them was the wisest. For wisest would be the one chosen to be the husband of Princess O-So-Lovely.

Gives Golden Pitcher

"So," continued Ting-a-Ling to Knarf and Hanid, "he called them all before him and gave to each of them a golden pitcher filled with water. 'Which of you,' he said, 'can turn this pitcher of water into a loaf of bread? It is now Spring. You each have until the Autumn to do what I ask. The one who succeeds will marry Princess O-So-Lovely.'

"Then each of them went off," said Ting-a-Ling, "to try to puzzle out how to turn a pitcher of water into a loaf of bread. Some went to magicians and tried to enchant the water into bread by saying magic spells. Some sat still for many



"Which of you can turn this pitcher of water into a loaf of bread?" said the king.

weeks in a dim room, trying to think of what to do. Some simply poured the water out of the window and decided not to marry Princess O-So-Lovely. And so the months went by, and finally Autumn came. And both Princess O-So-Lovely and King O-So-Good began to wonder if any of the Princes were wise enough to know how to turn a pitcher of water into a loaf of bread.

A Prince Comes

"And then one morning they heard the gallop of a horse and into the palace courtyard rode one of the Princes carrying a loaf of bread and an empty golden pitcher. And he came before King O-So-Good and Princess O-So-Lovely, smiling, and said: 'I have succeeded in turning a pitcher of water into a loaf of bread. This is what I did. Into the earth in my garden I sowed a patch of wheat. And each day, when it did not rain, I sprinkled the wheat with the water from this pitcher. And when the pitcher was empty, the wheat was full grown. Then I reaped it, and ground it and made it into flour. And with the flour I made this bread.'

"And King O-So-Good and Princess O-So-Lovely both smiled. For they knew that this Prince was the wisest of all. And they named him Prince O-So-Goodly-Wise and he married Princess O-So-Lovely. And they all lived happily ever after."

POSERS?

HIGH ALTITUDE

Don't get up in the air over these questions. If you find them out of your reach, just turn to the answers on this page. All deal with the word "fly."

1. This is the name of an arm of masonry.
2. "The—of the Bumble Bee" was written by a Russian composer. Fill in missing word.
3. This kind of tackle now is illegal in football.
4. This is a small harmless lizard that lives in the East Indies forests.
5. The "Catalina" of southern California is the largest known of what species of fish?
6. This is the name given to various large, fruit-eating bats of Australia.
7. This is a small rodent of the squirrel family that goes around at night.
8. What is the slang word for a whimsical person?
9. This is the name of an opera by Wagner about a sea captain.
10. A person mildly insane is sometimes called what else?

—Hester Alletson

POSER ANSWERS

10—Flycatcher. 9—The Flying Dutchman. 8—Flycatcher. 7—Flying squirrel. 6—Flying fox. 5—Flying fish. 4—Flying dragon. 3—Flying squirrel. 2—Flycatcher. 1—Flying buttress.

Rupert's Island Adventure—2



Rupert and Willie at length get tired of building with the blocks and wonder what to do next. "Can we put your track together and play toy trains?" suggests Willie. But the little bear doesn't answer. He puts his head on one side and holds up his hand. "Listen, d'you hear anything?" he whispers. "No, what are you talking about?" asks Willie. Rupert leaps up and looks out of a window. "I was right, there it is again," he cries. "Someone's blowing a trumpet. Let's go and see who it is!"

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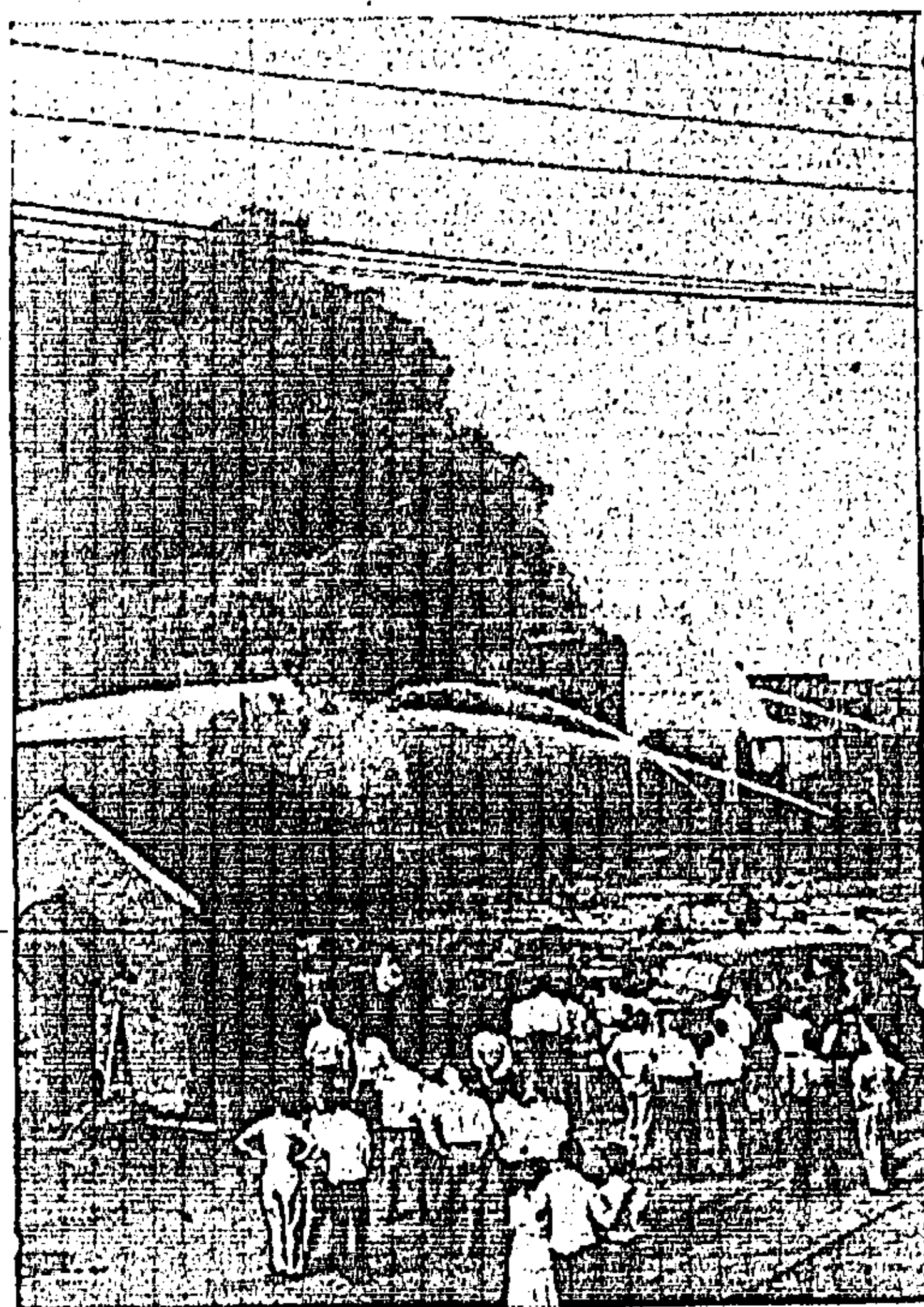
INTERNATIONAL "QUEENS"—Miss Holland, Miss Greece and Miss Russia, (left to right) headed a parade of their fellow nationals, who also wore native dress, in New York on behalf of a fund-raising campaign for Europe's needy. Left to right are Erny Van Braam, Anastasia Voglone and Vera Kounevsky.



REPLACEMENT—Jacob Malik photographed at Northolt Airport, London, after his arrival by air from Berlin, en route to New York. He has been named as a replacement for Andrei A. Gromyko, Russia's delegate to the United Nations.



IN A TIGHT SPOT—Morris Dechesne, aged 13, is lifted to safety after being trapped for four hours in a narrow cave 25 feet underground in New York's Central Park. The boy had been lowered into the cave on a length of clothes-line by companions while playing cowboys and Indians. Once down, Morris could not be drawn up by his playmates. Two slim-waisted ambulance workers were lowered one at a time and accomplished what heavier policemen could not do.



COSTLY FIRE—Part of a crowd of more than 2,000 watch firemen battle a Chicago blaze destroying US\$100,000 worth of fuel oil and pitch. Two 50,000-gallon storage tanks were destroyed.



ARAB LEGION TRAINING—At a training centre outside Amman, capital of Trans-Jordan, Arab Legion recruits receive intensive military training. Boys 12-15 years' old wear the Legion costume, attend schools to learn to read and write and receive training in military science and tactics.



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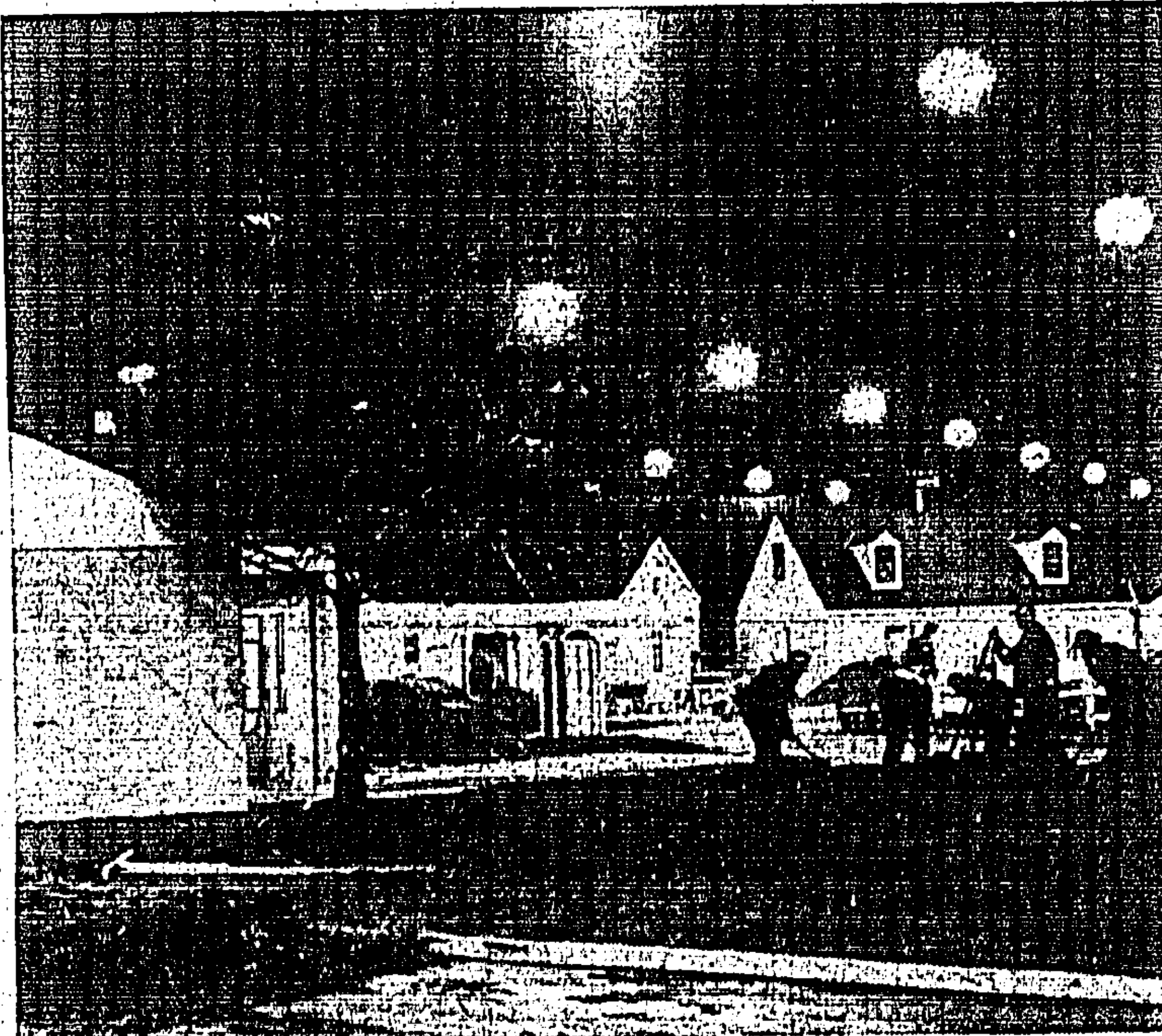
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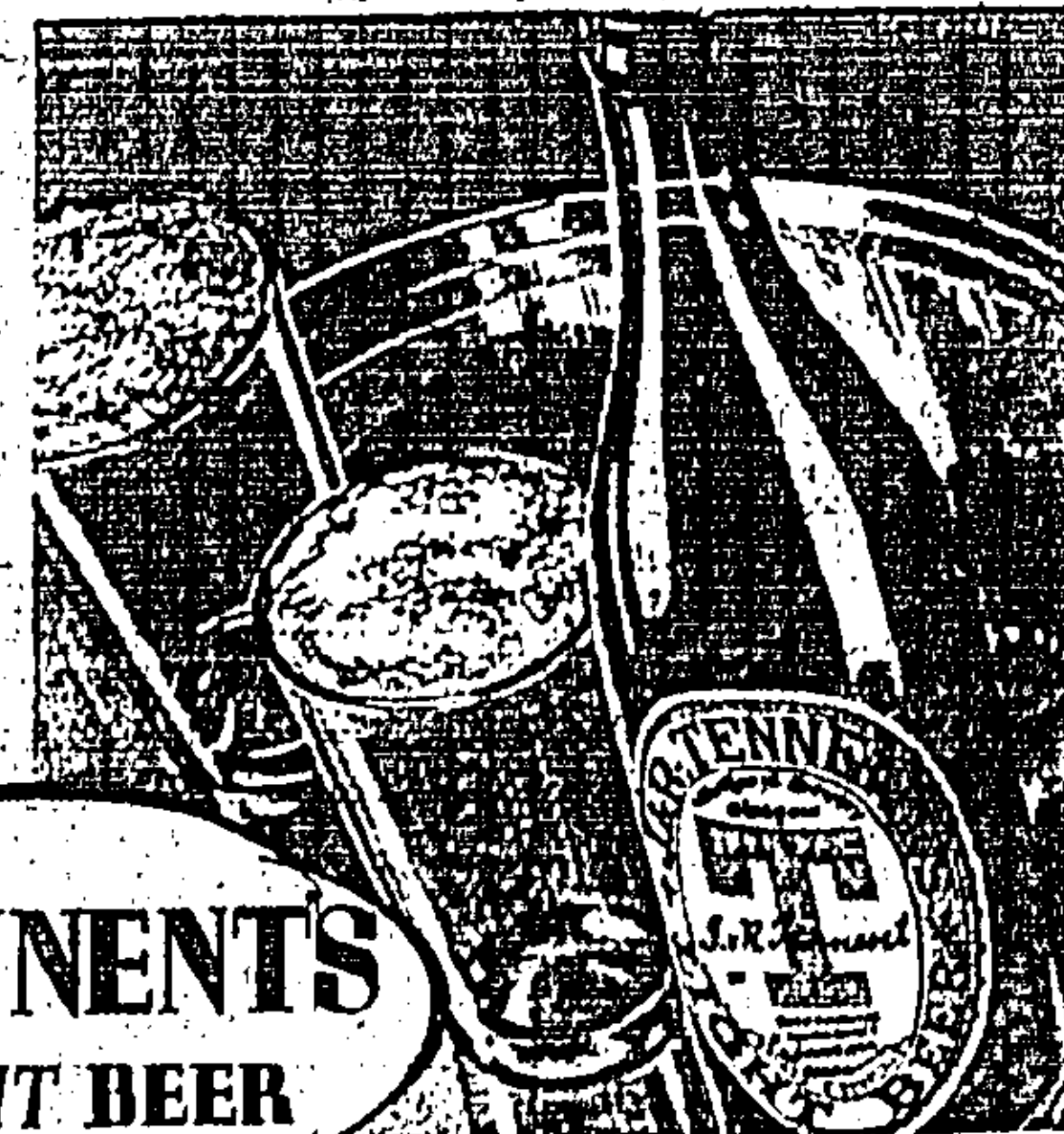
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**The story of Humphrey
—a king among bulls**

by GWYN LEWIS

WORK ceased for a while on the dairy farm at Letheringham, Suffolk, of Mr. W. Kerr, and he and his cowmen stood by to receive nobility.

The distinguished visitor was making the journey to Suffolk from Kilmarnock, in Scotland, and was making it by road.

Everything was in readiness for his reception and two months' stay at this and two other farms in the district run by Mr. Kerr.

Now, as the group scanned the winding rural road in country that Constable loved to paint, there was a cry from one of the hands of "Here he comes."

The passing stranger would have observed nothing more remarkable than a truck of the kind used for the transport of cattle.

But out of that truck stepped majesty on the hoof, a king among bulls, a noble beast bearing the name Bargower Legacy. He had been loaned to Mr. Kerr by Mr. John N. Drummond, owner of the famous Bargower herd of Ayrshire cattle.

The oaken gate

The ton of flesh and bone that made up the mighty proportions of Bargower Legacy ambled into a paddock.

The stout, brand new oaken gate was shut. Mr. Walter Johnson, head cowman, chalked across the top bar, "Beware of the bull."

That well-made gate was to make front page news of Bargower Legacy.

But his visit began without untoward incident. The men on the farm called him Humphrey.

Humphrey was introduced to members of the herd of 66 Ayrshire cattle kept by Mr. Kerr. Mr. Kerr had high hopes of those meetings, and for good reason.

Humphrey's pedigree goes back 50 years. He was sired by the noted breeding bull Bargower Golden Anchor. The son grew up to transmit the fine qualities of his parents.

He is now eight years old, and for the past five years has sired offspring that have been sold by Mr. Drummond for between £8,000 and £10,000 a year.



Humphrey, on his feet again, wearing the iron frame that keeps his damaged horn in position.

**BULL STOCK OF WHICH
BARGOWER LEGACY WAS
THE SIRE LAST YEAR
FETCHED £12,000.**

Farmers have been glad to pay Mr. Drummond £25 for the stud service of Bargower Legacy. Such a bull could be mated with 50 cows during a year.

Bargower Lord Nelson, one of Humphrey's grandsons, fetched £3,500, a record for the Ayrshire breed, which is famed for the production of milk rather than beef.

When 23 of Humphrey's sons were auctioned last autumn they averaged £1,370 each, top price being £2,205 paid for Bargower Home Pride.

Shattered peace

Ordinary London milk contains 3 percent butterfat. Humphrey's mother or dam, Heather Honey the Fourth, yielded milk containing up to 5 percent butterfat.

Farmer Kerr is anxious for Humphrey to pass on these qualities to his own herd.

A month had gone by when the peaceful routine of a dairy farm was shattered by a catastrophe that was to keep everybody on tenterhooks of anxiety, with many sleepless nights, for nearly a month.

**IT WAS THAT MASTERPIECE
OF THE VILLAGE CARPENTER
AND JOINER, THE GATE, THAT
NEARLY EXTINGUISHED
HUMPHREY.**

It happened while the men were away at their midday meal.

Humphrey, a bull of dynamic energy, became involved with Mr. Kerr's new gate.

He either charged at it, tried to toss or gore it, or pushed his massive head between the bars and injured himself in his efforts to free it.

The men returned from their meal to find Humphrey lying inert by the gate. One of his horns was crumpled and lay loose in its socket. He was nearly unconscious, and a leg had also been injured.

Raced 5 miles

Mr. Kerr, shocked by the discovery, raced to Wickham Market, five miles away, to bring back Mr. R. W. Kingsley Kefford, veterinary surgeon.

At Leiston, 12 miles further on, Mr. W. Lisle Downie, another vet received a telephone message to hurry to help.

Mrs. Kerr was soon receiving instructions to prepare ice packs needed to check inflammation. The veterinary surgeons diagnosed a fractured skull with concussion. An injection of heart stimulant was given.

Mr. Kerr made it clear to everybody concerned that no effort was to be spared to save the life of Bargower Legacy.

The treatment that followed was so lavish that it made headlines in the newspapers, and there have been sarcastic comments on the new-laid eggs and stout given to Humphrey, a mere beast of the field, as some put it.

But grazing on the spring pastures of Britain this day are between 300 and 400 sons and daughters of Bargower Legacy, each worth many hundreds of pounds.

Humphrey had been insured for £2,000, but his real worth was far more. His broken head was bound in plaster of paris.

**Dragons? No!
Alligators!**

By JOSEPH L. MYLER

DISCOVERY of "living fossil" redwoods in China has stirred speculation among the imaginative that man might one day find equally sensational survivors of supposedly extinct animal species.

Maybe dinosaurs; perhaps sabre-toothed tigers; possibly mastodons.

To a question as to whether such speculation had any scientific validity, Dr. Austin H. Clark, of the Smithsonian Institute, replied "No."

There are, Dr. Clark said, no places on earth which have not been visited by man capable of supporting the giant beasts of other ages.

And if any such animals were living in any such places—the African or Amazonian swamps, say—rumours of their existence would have reached civilisation by now, he contended.

But persons interested in survivors of the dim past of millions of years ago can find plenty of examples to absorb them if they will settle for less spectacular specimens than the dinosaurs.

Take the camel, Dr. Clark said. In its wild state the camel has been extinct for thousands of years. It was domesticated before the dawn of history.

The camel, incidentally, is an American animal. How and at what point in its ancestral line the camel reached Africa and Asia nobody knows. American hemisphere survivors of the extinct camel include the llama, guanaco and vicuña. They, too, are domesticated.

Another "living fossil" is the alligator, a fish. Until a few years ago, science thought it had been extinct for 100,000,000 years.

BELIEF EXPLODED

That belief was exploded when a lovely specimen of the extremely primitive creature was caught off the west coast of Africa.

A great many living plants and animals are related to extinct species. But for the most part they are evolutionary improvements of considerable magnitude over their dead kin.

Not so the ginkgo tree. It is just like the ancient ginkgo tree which once grew in great groves on the American continent. It is another "living fossil." And, like the camel, it has never been found in a wild state.

The ginkgo, or maidenhair tree, escaped extinction because the ancient Chinese planted it under cultivation. It still flourishes in the temple gardens of China, and also thrives in Washington.

Persons who see in dragon lore a "racial memory" of dinosaurs that survived to the Age of Man get no comfort for their theory from Clark. He has gone pretty thoroughly into the evolution of dragons.

DRAGON MODIFIED

The ancient Chinese dragon was an alligator, China's most fearsome beast. The Chinese alligator is bigger, meaner, quicker and rarer than the European crocodile.

When the Manchus swept down from the north and took over China, they modified the dragon symbol. Because in Manchuria the tiger was the most ferocious of animals, the Manchus endowed the Chinese dragon with a tiger's head and claws.

Ancient Europe had dragons, too. Their inspiration was the python which, like the lion, once dwelled in southern Europe. In the course of time the European and Chinese dragons made a marriage. The European offspring had the head and feet of the Chinese parents.

Look at the reverse of an English sovereign and, Dr. Clark pointed out, you will see St. George slaying a dragon. Although it has the Chinese dragon's head and feet, a tell-tale loop in its body gives away the monster's smouldering origin.

"This dragon," Clark said, "is a hybrid alligator and python."—United Press.

C.V.R. THOMPSON reports the U.S. scene

NEW YORK. President Truman told the U.S. Press that perhaps the recent exchange of Notes with Russia has not increased his hopes of world peace.

And the Press told Truman that his handling of these Notes has not increased his chances of being re-elected as President.

The brickbats are flying from all sides now—from Right, Left and Middle.

The Right, represented by the New York Daily News, accuses Truman of making America a world laughing stock.

The Left, represented by the New York Post, calls Truman's renunciation of peace feelers "the most infamous Welsh in current history, bar the Palestine sell out."

And the Middle, represented by the New York Times, calls the affair "the great balloon ascension."

It says Truman's actions have helped no one but the Kremlin and his most dangerous enemy, Henry Wallace, the peace-with-Russia-at-any-price Independent.

PROHIBITIONISTS, hard at work again to stop Americans drinking, have found a new and topical argument: "Drink is the first step

away from religion and atheism are the most likely to become Communists."

Perhaps it is counter propaganda that American distillers are naming their whiskies "Sir Some-thing-or-other. There are now three 'knights' whiskies.

DESPITE the success of Hollywood's first anti-Russian picture, "The Iron Curtain," other Hollywood producers are touting down some of their ideological films. Says producer Robert Buckner: "We must recognize that we are not at war with Russia, and that we cannot go on making the Russians complete scoundrels and villains."

NOW there is going to be a telephone strike. Unless the privately run telephone company grants trunk operators a 15-cent-an-hour wage rise, which it will not, the hello girls will say good-bye. No date is fixed yet.

WALL STREET'S BOSS, Emil Schram, has joined the No Depression chorus. He told Congress that there is no danger of runaway inflation, or a great depression.

THE ATHENA, the first British ship to be sunk in the war, will be replaced by an American troopship which the Donaldson Line is buying in New York.

CRAZY GANGSTER. Groucho Marx—whose entertaining is always non-political—got a loud American laugh by announcing he had wired Winston Churchill an offer of a bricklayer's role in his forthcoming British film.

HOLLYWOOD is complaining through Variety, the entertainment weekly, that there are 27 ways for American film companies to get their money out of England—and "the British have found a way of saying no to all of them."

THE U.S. PASSION for initials (G. I. S. H. A. E. F. E. R. P.) is spreading to New York. They are going to tear down road signs reading "No Parking," and "Merging Traffic," etc., so that they will read "NP," and "MT," etc. A New York paper protested at the change. Its comment: "It's NG."

THERE IS a major crisis among Congress Communist-hunters. In a burst of passion they passed a law banning all members of the United Federal Workers' Union working for the Government because the union is too Communist. Then they were told that America's Hansard, which publishes all their anti-Communist speeches, may not come out. The Government printing office, which publishes it, is staffed entirely by Federal Workers' Union members.

NANCY Never Ask a Stranger

By Ernie Bushmiller



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FORGED 10-CENTS NOTES

Allegation Made By Accused

An allegation that the plant for printing forged ten-cent notes was sent to him on the instructions of Det-Sgt Ho Ping a day before the Police raid, was made by Li King-hung before Mr Justice Williams at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Li, Hui Chik and Ng Man-sheung are on charges of conspiracy to defraud the Government, and possession of and using implements for forgery. Li and Hui are further charged with possession of forged notes. To all the charges except conspiracy, Li has pleaded guilty while the other two accused pleaded not guilty to all charges.

The case, said Mr A. Lonsdale, Crown Counsel prosecuting, was the result of a search of the plant of the Police into the source of forged ten-cent notes making their way into the Colony.

ENCRAVED PLATE

On April 6 a party of Police under Inspector Willerton went to a two-roomed hut in Shek Kip Mei village and found Hui sitting on a bed in the first room. In the next room was Li, sitting on a stool in front of a printing press. As the Police entered, he took up an object from the press and ran towards the window but the Police caught hold of him and found he was holding on to a plate engraved with a representation of a Hongkong ten-cent note.

In the course of a search of the hut, it was noticed that in the press was a square piece of paper on which two impressions of the plate had been made. There was also a certain amount of printing equipment found and a large box with a false bottom in which were about 2,000 pieces of square paper on each of which were two impressions of the plate. A considerable amount of the same type of paper, ready for use, showed the scale of the forgery which was being conducted.

Hui had on him 20 old forged ten-cent notes which had been printed by another die. In a bag under the bed on which he was sitting were 25 ten-cent notes all of which except one were fresh, clean forged notes. Some of these were from the die found on the premises while others were from another die. A search of a writing-pad disclosed 33 more forged notes made from the die in the hut. Also in the pad was a letter written by Hui to a man, Tang, telling of the operation of the press. The tone of this led the Police to believe that there were other persons concerned and they continued their investigations.

DETECTIVE'S DENIAL

The third accused, Ng was questioned by the Police the following day at Hollywood Road. He said that he had previously been forging notes but was not doing so at the present time.

After evidence by several of the Police who took part in the raid, the Crown tendered Det-Sgt Ho Ping for cross-examination. Here, Li stated that the plant was sent to him on the instructions of Det-Sgt Ho who had at first asked him to print paper packets. The detective denied all the allegations, saying that he did not know the accused.

The case is proceeding.

Hawker Claims To Be Washer Woman

Poon Yuk, 40, married woman, is a washer woman. At least, that is what she claims. After she has been through with it, your old shirt will look like new, she said when she was charged with hawking without a licence before Mr d'Almada at Central this morning.

Evidence by the prosecution showed that on June 2 defendant was trying to sell a shirt to a man in Chater Road.

A box of "old" shirts were produced as exhibits. The shirts were complete with stiffeners and pins. To the ordinary eye, the shirts looked new, but Poon claimed they were old shirts which she had cleaned. Going into the box, defendant refused to take the oath and passed remarks while the Court Interpreter was teaching her how to say the words of the oath.

Convincing the woman, Mr d'Almada fined her \$40 or one month for hawking without a licence and \$100 or two months for contempt of Court and refusing to take the oath.

After being convicted, defendant produced a photograph showing two children and asked what would happen to them while she was in goal.

ULTIMATUM TO HAWKERS

Mr F. X. d'Almada issued an ultimatum to hawkers at Central Magistrate's Court this morning. He told hawkers in Court to go back and tell their hawkers friends that the Central District must be cleared. As from Monday, "very heavy" fines would be imposed on hawkers arrested in the Central District for hawking without licences and causing obstruction.

PAULA

BY DENNIS WHEATLEY

High on the studio 'ast-walk', the murderer stands at bay...



Court Injunction Sought By Chinese Chamber Of Commerce Members

Five leading barristers-at-law, including two King's Counsel, filed in an application before Mr Justice T. J. Gould at the Supreme Court this morning by certain members of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce for an interlocutory injunction (a) to restrain the Chinese Chamber of Commerce from electing members of the Committee and Supervisory Committee in contravention of the provisions of Article 32 of the Articles of Association and (b) to restrain any persons so elected as members of such Committee and Supervisory Committee from acting in such capacity.

The application was brought by Lai Yam-shuen, Hui Chi-ling, Lam Hui-lak, Tsai Ching-yan, Chiu Yiu-wah, Yung Sai-fong and Chu Sai-cheung, members of the Chamber. Mr H. G. Sheldon, KC, Mr Brook A. Bernatchi and Mr D. A. L. Wright, instructed by Mr P. L. Lam, appeared for the plaintiffs.

The Chinese Chamber of Commerce, defendants, were represented by the Hon. Leo d'Almada, KC and Mr A. J. Clifford, instructed by the Hon. Mr. K. Lo.

An application by plaintiffs for an interim injunction to restrain the Chamber at the annual meeting (which was held on May 19) from proceeding to the election of 20 members of the Supervisory Committee of the Chamber was refused by the Acting Chief Justice, Mr Justice Williams on May 18.

BACKGROUND HISTORY

Giving a short background history of the matter, Mr Sheldon said the genesis of the dispute concerned the election of new members to the Chamber. In October, 1947, some 3,000 applications for membership were received by the Chamber and in November a Committee was appointed to examine their qualifications. In February, 1948, 2,977 applicants were elected, and I think it would be common ground that very large number of these 2,977 elected members of the Chamber became members of the Chamber under the wing—if I might use the word—of a certain Ko Cheung-hung.

Mr Sheldon said, in March, 1948, plaintiffs and their friends decided to sue for membership and admitted one of the objects of the introduction of these people was to balance the influence of those persons elected under the wing of Ko, who would presumably support Ko in any dispute that might arise. As far as plaintiffs were concerned all efforts by them to get any of these gentlemen elected before the meeting held on May 19 failed, Mr Sheldon continued. And therefore, "there was the unhappy position of the Chamber with two opposing parties,—if I might put it in these words,—one party, Ko's party had succeeded in getting some 2,977 gentlemen elected and the other party, the plaintiffs, had failed to obtain any additions by new membership to strengthen their party."

OTHER DISPUTES

It was not the first difference, Mr Sheldon said. There had been disputes before and he recalled the formation of the Association of the 24 Guilds, new defunct, and the Chinese Manufacturers Union, which was still in existence.

Mr Sheldon suggested that on the evidence, at any rate, plaintiffs, as regards the proposed election for their nominees which had failed, had been somewhat hardly treated by the Chamber.

Affidavits filed by Lai Yam-shuen, Hui Chi-ling, Tung Chung-yuei and Kwok Chan were read to the Court. Mr Sheldon submitted that by reason of Article 32 of the Chamber's Articles of Association the election of the Committee and the Supervisory Committee could not, as a matter of law, be held unless that Article was amended or altered, and this could be done by special resolution. Until that Article was amended he submitted that the Court had no option in the matter but that the injunction must be issued.

"It is my submission that this injunction should be granted for a further reason than breach of the Article, but on the principle that it is unjust to take steps, even if legally correct, to preclude a body of electing members from the elections," Mr Bernatchi said, "simply because their vote would affect the result thereof, and as a corollary thereto it is doubly unjust when the steps taken are not legally correct."

He contended there was no power of the Committee to postpone the hearing of these applications on three separate occasions. Even if what they did was legally correct, one was driven to the inevitable conclusion that they did it with the purpose of precluding new members from voting.

COUNSEL'S OBJECTION

Here Mr d'Almada objected to an implication of bad faith on the part of defendants and asked for proof.

Mr Bernatchi submitted that there was no valid reason for the Chamber to refuse the bulk of the applicants. There was no power in the Articles to postpone consideration of these applications. There had been three meetings and three resolutions had been passed which stated they would not consider the applications but would leave them to the new Committee. On the face of the affidavits, Mr Bernatchi contended that there could be no other opinion but that the Committee, rightly or wrongly, decided it was better that these people should not be members until after the new Committee had come in.

The hearing is proceeding.

Four Opium Divans Raided

Keepers Ordered To Be Banished

Two large size divans were among the four raided by Kowloon Police in the Yau-mat on Wednesday night. In all, including the four keepers, about 60 persons were arrested on the premises. They were charged before Mr Latimer at Kowloon Court today.

The four divan keepers, besides the various fines imposed on them, were automatically recommended for banishment, a penalty enforced since the beginning of this month. The largest den was the one which occupied the first floor of No. 29 Wusung Street. The keeper, Leung Kwong, 31, unemployed, was fined \$550 or five months. The nine opium pipes, 12 lamps seized were ordered to be confiscated.

WOMEN SMOKERS

There were altogether 30 smokers arrested, including two women. One of them, Chan Lin, who explained that she went to the den to look for her husband, was released by Mr Latimer when the Police accepted her explanation. Four smokers who were absent from Court had their bail of \$50 each estimated while the remaining 25 were each fined \$30.

Another large divan was at 31, Wusung Street, including three women, were arrested by Police. This den had three double bunks and one bed and five pipes and nine lamps. The keeper, Ting Cheung, was fined \$220 or two months and the three absentees had their bail of \$50 each estimated. The remaining 16 were each fined \$30.

A sentence of six months without the option of a fine was imposed on Pok Hin, the keeper of a divan at 115, Portland Street, ground floor, for the possession of four heroin pipes. For operating the divan he was additionally fined \$150 or a month. The five smokers were each fined \$30.

Lai Shing, the keeper of the divan at 37, Wusung Street, first floor, was fined \$150. The only smoker arrested was fined \$30.

OTHER RAIDS

With a previous conviction, Leung So, 42, was sentenced to four months and recommended for banishment by Mr d'Almada at Central this morning for keeping an opium divan in an un-numbered hut on the hillside at the back of Tai Shek Street, Sai Wan Ho. Two smokers were fined \$25 each.

For keeping a divan on the third floor of 16 Fat Hing Street, Cheung Ying-kong, 20, was fined \$700 or five months. Of five smokers arrested, four were fined \$25 each while the other had his bail estimated.

Five smokers were also arrested in the divan kept by Lau Hoi-chuen, 21, in an un-numbered hut at the back of Kam Wah Street. Lau was fined \$800 or four months while the smokers were fined \$25 each.



DARING GOLD SMUGGLERS FINED \$4,000

There was much commotion in Court this morning when twenty gold smugglers were each fined \$4,000 or five months for illegally importing gold into the colony. Mr Hin Shing-lo, in sentencing them, said that he had shown leniency because they were obviously stooges, but if the crime were repeated he would have no qualms about imposing the maximum penalty—\$10,000 and one year of imprisonment. He had not only the interests of the community at heart but their own as well.

Ma Tsai, the leader of the females reiterated her plea for leniency on the grounds that the gold was their only worldly possession and their intention in hiding it was to escape detection by bandits during the voyage.

"Then why did you answer in the negative when asked by Revenue Officer Redman if you had any gold?" asked the magistrate. "You knew very well that he was a Revenue Officer, or did you mistake him for a bandit?"

Mr R. O. Redman in pressing for a heavy sentence said that it was a very despicable case of smuggling carried out by a ruthless people and it didn't afford the Revenue Dept. any chance of detection. He said it had been for information received, they would definitely have got away with it, only to be back at it again and with renewed gusto, and greater confidence.

NO SURVEY CERTIFICATE

A 25-year-old Filipino, Felipe Ferrer, First Officer of the LCT 1899, was fined \$200 or one month by Mr Cairns at the Marine Court this morning for using a motor boat before obtaining a certificate of survey.

A further charge of failing to take out a licence for the boat was withdrawn at Police request.

Sub-Inspector McCarthy reported that on April 22 the LCT arrived from Manila. It had on board a 15 horsepower motor boat, of about 25 ft in length and 8 ft wide. This motor boat, he said, had been used occasionally in the Harbour, and yesterday afternoon it was seen towing an LCT from Bailey's Shipyard to Shamshui. When stopped by Police, accused was on board acting as coxswain. He was unable to produce the certificate of survey on demand, and subsequent enquiries disclosed that the boat had not been surveyed.

In reply to questions, Sub-Inspector McCarthy stated that the motor boat was not the LCT's lifeboat.

Mr W. Woodward, Marine Surveyor, was of the opinion that if there had been a strong wind blowing, the motor boat would not have been able to tow the LCT with safety.

Xuan Accused Of High Treason

Paris, June 2.—A Saigon despatch to Agence France Presse tonight quoted the Viet-Minh (Annamite Nationalist) Radio announcing that the Nationalist Government of Dr Ho Chi Minh had decided to bring General Nguyen Van Xuan, head of the Provisional Central Vietnam Government in Indo-China, before a Viet-Minh court martial on a charge of high treason.

The Viet-Minh Radio added: "General Xuan's treason was provided by his agreeing to form a Central Government, thus knowingly playing the game of the imperialists."—Reuter.

Schuman's Govt. Crisis At Hand

Paris, June 2. — Premier Schuman's Government has landed in hot water again today despite the overwhelming confidence vote the National Assembly gave it yesterday.

All the afternoon newspapers from the Right to the far Left agreed that the Government crisis was at hand.

Premier Schuman yesterday demanded a vote of confidence on the issue of how Government should be allowed to fire civil servants. He got a vote of 402 to 133.

Today the Government measure went back to the Assembly's Interior Commission. The Committee promptly tagged on an amendment which would assure jobs to the discharged professional public servants. The Cabinet met and decided that it could not accept the amendment.

The situation has thus reverted to the same position as yesterday. It appeared likely that Schuman might pose another confidence vote to try to defeat the Committee's amendment.

SUBSIDIES ISSUE

Whether Government survives that battle it is still faced with a hotter fight tomorrow on the issue of subsidies for families sending their children to Church schools instead of State schools. Within the Government, itself, Socialists and Catholic popular Republicans were at odds on the question.

The Assembly met this afternoon to discuss routine matters, but tonight was due to take up again the civil servants issue.

The Cabinet has decided to submit to the Assembly, the decisions taken at the League of Six Power conference on Germany.

The date for the crucial French Parliamentary debate on the London conference decisions will be set at an extraordinary Cabinet meeting next Thursday.

The Cabinet heard a survey of the international situation by Foreign Minister, M. Bidault, particularly regarding Palestine.

A spokesman said after the meeting that the Cabinet welcomed the four-week truce, and that it would result in permanent peace.—United Press.

H.K. Criticism Resented

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"The British police, towards China in this respect since the end has been marked by consultation," the Times' special correspondent continued.

"Kuomintang agencies and newspapers have been allowed to function in the Colony without interference. More recently, to help the Chinese Government control the flow of illicit goods, the two Governments signed an agreement permitting Chinese customs officials to operate in the colony."

"These, and many other expressions of goodwill, have not been appreciated by the Chinese Government."

"On the contrary, their attitude has been marked by a thinly veiled hostility, by attempts to infiltrate their own party control into the Colony, and by any measures that could embarrass the local administration."

"If the Kuomintang recovers its position and becomes a strong and stable Government, this campaign against Hongkong will be intensified."

"There has been no declaration of policy and intentions towards Hongkong since the end of the war."

"Many British residents have long felt that the Government should publicly announce its intentions of playing in the Island until the lease expires in 1997."—Reuter.

Australian's False Pretences

Shanghai, June 3. — William Thomas Dobson, 20-year-old Australian who gave his occupation as "reporter" was given a six-month prison term suspended for two years by the District Court yesterday for obtaining CN\$150,000,000 worth of merchandise from the Wing On Department Store on false pretences.

At the hearing, Mr O. C. W. Fuhrman, the Australian Consul-General, told the Presiding Judge he would undertake to provide the accused under his release with passage to Australia.—Reuter.

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Canton Claim And Sale Of Warships

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made, Mr Dugdale said it was not usual to disclose the terms on which ships were sold to foreign governments. "Whether the transfer has resulted in cash being paid at this precise moment is another question, but we shall get full value for the money," Mr Dugdale replied to Mr Walter Fletcher (Conservative) who asked about the Canton claim.

Air Commodore A. Y. Harvey (Conservative) said these ships would be "of far more use in Chinese waters than on the scrap-heaps of Britain."

Mr T. Scollan (Labour) suggested the impression had been created that the ships were being presented to a reactionary government. Mr Dugdale answered: "Nothing of the kind. There is no reason why we should not let a friendly country buy ships from us, as China has done, and I make no apology and I am glad we have been able to do it."—Reuter.

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HAMPSHIRE SCORE 195 AGAINST AUSTRALIANS

Biggest Innings In A Bowlers' Day

Southampton, June 2.—At the close of play today, the Australian tourists scored 54 runs for two wickets after dismissing Hampshire for 195 runs.

Arnold, after lunch, batted confidently. If stolidly, against a consistently good attack by off-spinners Johnson and Johnston, hooking and driving well after an uncertain start. He hit five fours during his stay of two hours and 25 minutes.

Loxton, taking the new ball at 123, bowled him without an addition.

LIFT PRODIGY

Filipino Ready For Goliaths

Manila, June 2.—Sporting hangouts here are buzzing with talk about a 28-year-old Filipino house-painter who, it is claimed, may be one of the greatest weightlifters that ever lived.

He is Rodrige del Rosario, a short, squat 132-pounder with muscles like pythons.

He won the national fly-weight championship at Cebu City by lifting a total of 712.2 pounds in three tries—almost 25 pounds more than the Olympic record of 688.5. The feat outdid contestants in four heavier classes.

Philippine selections for the London Olympic games will be made this month, but Del Rosario is assured of a berth on the 30-man squad.

"He is the most spectacular thing we have seen around here in years," said Dr. R. R. Ylanan, secretary of the Philippine Olympic committee. "He will go to London all right. And then watch his smoke."

The Olympic committee is keeping a watchful eye on the fabulous house painter. They have gotten him a job working on the grounds of the Philippine Amateur Athletic Federation. Five nights a week, after working hours, he practises at a neighbourhood gymnasium before going home to his wife and two children.—United Press.

SWISS PREPARE

Geneva, June 2.—Swiss athletes are training to carry the Olympic flame across the 201 kilometres of Swiss territory in time for the London Olympic Games.

The flame, handed from torch to torch across Europe, will reach the Swiss frontier at Gondo below the 6,000 Simplot Pass late in the evening of July 23.—Reuter.

TRAPPED



Bill Rigney (18), New York Giants' second baseman, falls in the baseline as he tagged out between third and home by Catcher Phil Masi of Boston Braves in a game at the Polo Grounds.

Rigney tried to score on a grounder by Sid Gordon, Giants' left fielder, to Bob Elliott (second from top), Braves third baseman. Behind Elliott is Braves' Shortstop Al Dark. Giants won, 5-1.—AP Wirephoto.

WALKER SCORES WITH THREE-RUN HOMER



Philadelphia Phillies outfielder Harry Walker slides into home plate after hitting an inside the park homer that netted the Phillies three runs in the eighth inning against Boston at Boston.

Taking the throw is Boston Braves' catcher Phil Masi. Walker's homer came with two on and two out, and made the final score a 4-2 win for Philadelphia. Umpire is George Barr.—AP Wirephoto.

EPSOM GETS OFF TO A WATERY START

MR ATTLEE WILL WATCH THE DERBY, BUT HE WON'T BACK A HORSE

London, June 2.—The Prime Minister, Mr Clement Attlee, who has never previously attended a race meeting or backed a horse, will watch this year's Derby, but he will not bet.

The last Prime Minister to visit Epsom when in office was Lord Rosebery in 1894, who had the satisfaction of seeing his own horse, Ladas, win.

Epsom's four-day meeting opened today in showery weather, but with its traditional colourful appearance. The going is not yet soft, although much rain has fallen, and even if there are more heavy showers, it will take a real downpour to make the going heavy as the strong wind has a drying effect and the course drains easily.

With the restoration of petrol for private motoring, there were many cars.

Supporters of My Babu for the Derby saw his jockey, Charlie Smirke, win two races today and his owner and trainer, the Gackwar of Baroda and Fred Armstrong, carry off the chief race of the day, the Rosebery Memorial Handicap, run over two and a quarter miles, with Star of Baroda.—Reuter.

ODDS SHORTER ON DJEDDAH

London, June 2.—French racing owner Marcel Bousquet's Djeddah, said to be a good galloper in a short track, again shortened in odds for the English Derby at a callover tonight.

On Monday Djeddah's price was cut twenty points to twenty. Tonight it was quoted at 100 to 6. The English horse, Dormir, was also cut sharply to 100 to 6.

The Maharajah of Baroda's My Babu, the favourite, remained unchanged at 4-1 and the price of the second favourite the Cobble, the mount of champion jockey Gordon Richards, was also unchanged at 5-1. Black Tarquin, owned by New York banker William Woodward, eased a point to 100-7.

Eighteen horses of the probable record field of 33 were given a quotation. Woodward's second string, The Senator, 240 to 1 at Monday night's call over, was not mentioned in the latest list.

Odds quoted were: My Babu, 4-1. The Cobble, 5-1. My Love, 10-1. Valognes, 100-8. Black Tarquin, 100-7. Dormir, 100-6. Djeddah, 100-6. Solar Slipper, 20-1. Native Heath, 20-1. Ottoman, 25-1. Noon and Pride of India, 40-1. Bird Mickle, Usher, Black Pampas and Hope Street, all 50-1. Odds against all others, minimum of 60-1.

London, June 2.—Mrs J. Barrington Blackmore's Overhead was scratched from the Derby today leaving 34 probable starters for the race.—Associated Press.

THE OAKS

London, June 2.—Probable runners, with jockeys, for The Oaks, running over one and a half miles at Epsom at 3.00 p.m. (GMT) tomorrow, are:

Heads of Ay—A. Carson, Tudor Lady—T. Gosling, Sun Lane—C. Smirke, Vertencia—C. Spares, Angel Ole—W. H. Carr, Goblet—Gordon Richards, Ario Star—T. Weston, Wimple—M. Beary, Ring a Ring—S. Wragg, Lady Dushkin—W. Rickaby, Metronome—T. Lowrey, Fire Song—C. Britton, G. Biddle, Miss Polly—C. Britton, La Chipotte—W. Johnston, Special Scotch—J. Cullis, Ocean Queen—E. Smith, Tesoro—J. Marshall, Great Fun—K. Gethin, Fair Turk—D. L. Jones.

Twenty-five probabilities.—Reuter.

A ROYAL VICTORY?

London, June 2.—Race track fans throughout Britain are hoping to cheer a royal victory on Thursday when 32 English and French thoroughbred fillies will contest the third classic of the season in the Oaks Stakes which will be run over a mile and one-half of the famous Epsom track, the winner of which will capture the prize of £20,000.

GRASS COURT DOUBLES FINAL

The Tsui Brothers Champions Again

It wasn't quite a walk-over for the Tsui brothers, winning their fifth grass court doubles final since 1936 at Chater Road yesterday, but it came near enough to being that.

Their opponents, Lee Chun-kit and Y. Y. Lam, actually led 3-2 in the first set and 4-3 in the third but the Tsui's victory in straight sets—6-4, 6-2, 6-4—was convincing enough.

Standard of play did not touch a very high mark and was spotty throughout.

In a short speech before the presentation of prizes by Miss Elizabeth Boyd at the conclusion of the evening's programme, Mr H. Owen Hughes remarked on the fact that the Colony's clubs have started out on an active programme in encouraging new blood in the younger set, but regretted that the present season had been very much a veteran one.

SEGALEN WINS

In the other match on yesterday's grass court programme, R. Segalen successfully defended his HKCC Singles Championship, retaining the Hancock Cup in a 1-0, 6-1, 6-1, 6-2 victory over the Australian, B. T. M. Jones.

The surprising fact about the match was that Jones was playing an excellent game and had all the stroke-play in the world. Segalen won by sheer steadiness in his retrieving.

TENNIS LEAGUE

A full programme of games in the Second Division of the Tennis League was played yesterday evening.

The Chinese Recreation Club won two overwhelming victories against Indian Recreation Club and the Kowloon Cricket Club, but their "B" team went down at Happy Valley to Craigengower.

Results were:

CRC "A"	0	KCC	0
CCC	6½	CRC "B"	2½
CRC "C"	8	IRC	1
Recr. "A"	6	HKCC	0
Recr. "B"	4½	S. China	4½
University	6	USRC	3

BRUSSELS WASHOUT

Brussels, June 2.—Heavy rain persisted in the afternoon and although players sat around the clubhouse hoping for the break in the weather that would allow play to continue, they were disappointed and it was decided to cancel the day's programme and continue the championships at nine o'clock local time tomorrow morning.—Reuter.

Dissident Voices In Eire

Dublin, June 2.—The Irish Olympic Council, by a majority of seven votes, have refused to sanction the entry of any of the 28 County Organisations in Eire to the Olympic Games.

The Amateur Athletic Union of Eire, under whose jurisdiction several well-known athletes compete, has intimated that they will seek a higher authority to have their Olympic entry passed.

When a few weeks ago the Council pressed for any Irish Olympic team, the President of the International Olympic Committee, Mr Sigfrid Edstrom, ruled that competitors having Northern Ireland status could represent only Great Britain and Northern Ireland in the Games.—Reuter.

DUTCH TRACK STARS FOR AAA

London, June 2.—J. Laitner, Dutch runner, will head a team of Dutch track stars in a bid for Britain's Amateur Athletic Association titles at the White City on July 2-3. Laitner will defend his six miles' championship.—Associated Press.

England Enters Basketball For The First Time

By HYLTON CLEAVER

When Britain's basketball players enter Harringay Arena in August they will be the first team to play for this country in any Olympiad.

Our record in the game is nothing to shout about...yet. In the European championships of 1946 we came last of 10. In 1947 we were too poor to enter.

Let us get behind our team and give them some encouragement now...or tell them not to compete.

They have difficulties enough. Although there is plenty of talent, half the probabilities come from the north. The rest are from London. Money is so short that Olympic players are asked if they can pay their own fares. This I cannot understand in the country which is running the games, and so will have to pay no fares to Tokyo or Finland.

NOT POPULAR

What they are doing at present is to practise one week in the Midlands, the next in London. Some went with the soccer team to Turin, and played a friendly there.

We also have to face the fact that in America 10,000 watch a league game, and here very few have even seen it played.

Before the war an effort to popularise it at Earl's Court failed. My recollection is that the game was too refined to be exciting, and the refereeing so punctilious that there was more whistle than play.

Now is the chance to see the game as it can be, and to find out how we compare with 20 other nations, of which USA are top, mid-Europe second best, and North Europe the outsiders.

I wish luck to Malcolm Finlay, the team's coach, J. Clay, secretary of the association, and Bill Brown, responsible for the Harringay arrangements.

Hart Will Fight Villemain Again

London, June 2.—Mark Hart, Croydon, middleweight, who fought a draw with Robert Villemain, France's European welter-weight champion, at Harringay Arena on Monday night has accepted terms to fight the Frenchman a return bout at the open air show at the White City on July 20.

The winner will be matched against Marcel Cerdan. The Hart-Villemain return will be on the same programme as the world light heavyweight title fight between Gus Lesnevich of America and Britain's Freddie Mills.—Associated Press.

BASEBALL

New York Giants Strengthen Their Grasp On National League Lead

New York, June 2.—The Giants strengthened their grasp on first place in the National League today by whipping Cincinnati 7-4. The decision increased New York's lead to a full game over the Saint Louis Cardinals, who meet Brooklyn tonight.

Larry Jansen, the Giants' top pitcher last year, became the League's first pitcher to win six games. He has three defeats. Jansen also batted in three runs on two singles. Right fielder Willard Marshall hit a homer, a double and a single for New York.

First baseman Eddie Waitkus singled in the 12th inning, galloped to third when catcher Andy Seminick followed a passed ball by throwing under and then scored on rightfielder Phil Cavaretta's single to give the Chicago Cubs a 2-1 victory over Philadelphia. It was a scoreless duel between Chicago's Dutch McCall and Philadelphia's Dutch Leonard until the 11th when both teams scored.

Right fielder Del Ennis hit a homer for the Phils. Leonard finished for the Phillies, but Jess Dobernoff was the eventual Chicago winner.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

In the only daylight American League action, the Yankees defeated Detroit 1-0. It was the sixth straight victory for Vic Raschi, who scored the only run of the game in the eighth inning with his own single, a sacrifice and left fielder Johnny Lindell's double.

Art Houtteman lost his seventh game in a row for the Tigers. Charley Keller, Yankee left fielder, broke two bones in his left hand in the fourth inning as he attempted a shoe string catch. The Yankees reported he will be out for three to four weeks.

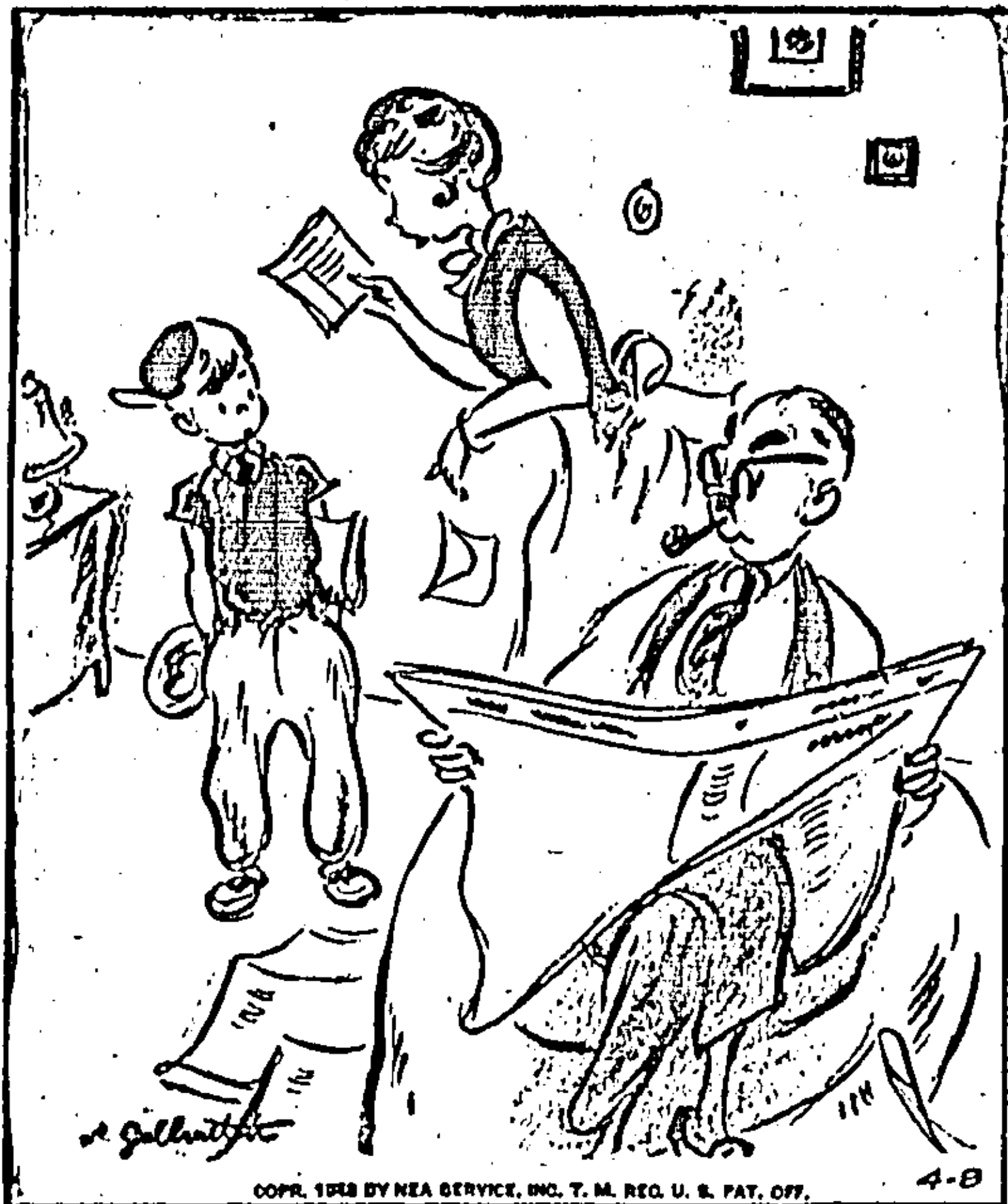
THE SCORES

National League		R	H	E
New York	7	0	0	0
Cincinnati	4	11	2	2
(Winning pitcher Larry Jansen)				
Philadelphia	1	10	0	0
Chicago	2	8	2	2
(Winning pitcher Jess Dobernoff)				
American League		R	H	E
Detroit	0	5	1	0
New York	1	0	0	0
(Winning pitcher Vic Raschi)				

FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"You'd think the teacher would get awfully tired of giving him a bad mark in conduct every month!"

LESSON HAND

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

'When In Doubt—
Etc., Is A Fallacy

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By WILLIAM E. McKENNEY

WE sometimes hear a player remark, "I hate to be on the opening lead. I never know what to lead." That is not the way a good bridge player feels about it. Don't lead from fear, and don't accept the old saying "When in doubt, lead trump." Trumps generally are the last thing that declarer will be led. The bidding indicates that declarer probably will want to do some ruffing in dummy.

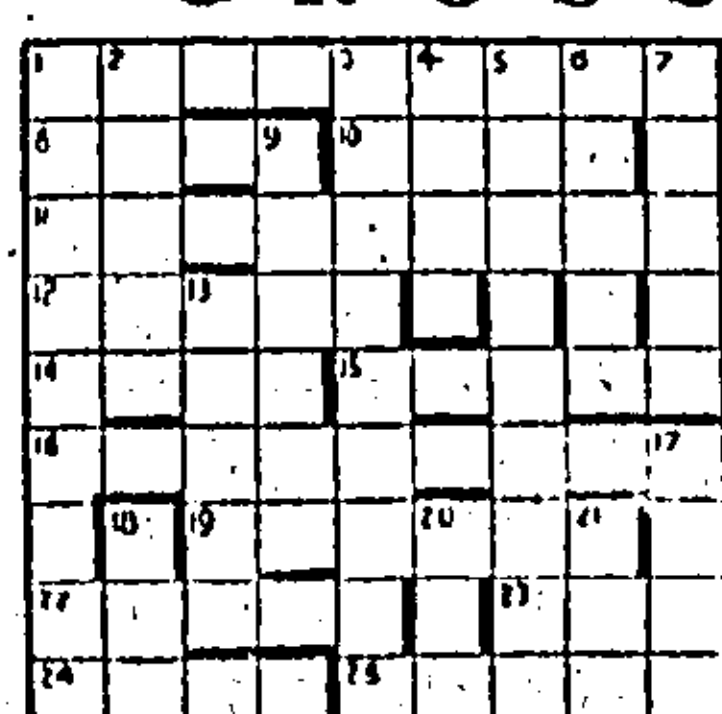
In today's hand you may or may not favour a two-bid on the part of South, but it does look like the type of hand on which you want to get to game. South shows a two-suit hand. Holding the ace of spades and king-queen of hearts, West can pretty well figure that South has a minimum of two-five-card suits. By showing a preference for spades North indicates that he has at least as many or more spades than hearts. With his four hearts to the king-jack-nine, West knows that declarer will have to trump out some of the hearts.

Therefore, instead of making the normal opening of the queen of diamonds, West must open the ace of trumps and continue with a small one. When declarer takes the heart finesse, West wins and leads the third trump.

Now there is nothing that South can do to keep West from winning two more heart tricks. The trump opening gives West the ace of trumps and three heart tricks, defeating the contract.

If the queen of diamonds is opened, declarer can ruff one of his hearts in dummy and thus lose only two heart tricks.

CROSSWORD



1. Heavy hammer. (5)
2. Perform. (9)
3. Extent from end to end. (6)
4. Rent. (5)
5. A Roman would accept it as the answer. (13)
6. A broken post. (4) 25 Over. (15)
7. Down
8. What even a palmeto may see in this paper. (4)
9. Over and above. (5)
10. Torn names (anagram). (11)
11. From which you get the vote. (4)
12. The unwritten law of courtesy. (10)
13. See 1 Across.
14. More than enough with a legislator in drink. (10)
15. A deformed rat. (3)
16. Space (13) 21. Bort or layer. (13)
22. Solution of yesterday's puzzle. Across: 1. Blunt. 2. Education. 3. Organ. 4. Blunt. 5. Blunt. 6. Blunt. 7. Blunt. 8. Blunt. 9. Blunt. 10. Blunt. 11. Blunt. 12. Blunt. 13. Blunt. 14. Blunt. 15. Blunt. 16. Blunt. 17. Blunt. 18. Blunt. 19. Blunt. 20. Blunt. 21. Blunt. 22. Blunt. 23. Blunt. 24. Blunt. 25. Blunt. 26. Blunt. 27. Blunt. 28. Blunt. 29. Blunt. 30. Blunt. 31. Blunt. 32. Blunt. 33. Blunt. 34. Blunt. 35. Blunt. 36. Blunt. 37. Blunt. 38. Blunt. 39. Blunt. 40. Blunt. 41. Blunt. 42. Blunt. 43. Blunt. 44. Blunt. 45. Blunt. 46. Blunt. 47. Blunt. 48. Blunt. 49. Blunt. 50. Blunt. 51. Blunt. 52. Blunt. 53. Blunt. 54. Blunt. 55. Blunt. 56. Blunt. 57. Blunt. 58. Blunt. 59. Blunt. 60. Blunt. 61. Blunt. 62. Blunt. 63. Blunt. 64. Blunt. 65. Blunt. 66. Blunt. 67. Blunt. 68. Blunt. 69. Blunt. 70. Blunt. 71. Blunt. 72. Blunt. 73. Blunt. 74. Blunt. 75. Blunt. 76. Blunt. 77. Blunt. 78. Blunt. 79. Blunt. 80. Blunt. 81. Blunt. 82. Blunt. 83. Blunt. 84. Blunt. 85. Blunt. 86. Blunt. 87. Blunt. 88. 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Czech Communist Party Boss Murdered



ECA Mission To China

Washington, June 2.—An eleven-member survey mission to China was announced today by Economic Co-operation Administrator Paul G. Hoffman. It will report on industrial projects to be financed by ECA for recovery purposes.

Most of the experts, Mr. Hoffman said, will leave San Francisco on Friday by plane with Mr. Roger D. Lapham, Chief of ECA's special mission to China. They will reach Shanghai by June 7.

The survey group is headed by Mr. Charles L. Stillman, who is Vice-President and Treasurer of Time, Incorporated, and a Director of the Foreign Policy Association.

MISSION MEMBERS

Other members are Mr. Edgar M. Hastings, transportation engineer, O. R. Paulick, mine engineer, Mr. Sherman Chickering, San Francisco lawyer, Mr. John D. Sumner and Mr. Paul C. Parker, economists, Mr. Raymond T. Moyer, agricultural adviser, Mr. Charles A. Powell and Mr. J. E. Whittemore, electrical utility engineers, Mr. Hugh A. Wilkinson, administrative officer and Mr. James Grant, special assistant to Stillman.

The survey group will study proposals for the development of railroads, factory, power and other industrial projects to build up the Chinese economy. ECA expects to spend about \$80,000,000 of the \$338,000,000 aid fund voted by Congress for industrial purposes. Most of the rest will go into food and raw materials. The mission's report is due by August 1.—Associated Press.

POLICE EJECT STRIKERS

Singapore, June 2.—Seventy-nine labourers were ejected today from among 1,200 strikers at the Klapa Ball and Lima Blas rubber estates. Four hundred police, ejected the strikers while 400 troops stood by. Contrary to expectations, the ejections were carried out without incident.

Police escorted 54 Indian evictees and 25 Chinese off the estates. They seized several hundred cutting knives and other potential weapons from the remaining strikers.—Reuter.

NEI RICE LOAN

Singapore, June 2.—The Netherlands East Indies will loan the Philippines government 15,870 tons of Siamese rice if the Philippines will repay the loan in Siamese rice or in sterling at a price not higher than prices quoted for Siamese rice, it was learned today.

G. M. Villarsoran, representing the Philippines, said he had forwarded terms of the proposed loan to Manila and was awaiting an answer. The rice in question originally was consigned to Indonesia. The NEI representative said the loan was possible because of a shortage of storage space. If Manila accepts the loan, it must be returned by the end of 1949, he stipulated.—Associated Press.

SEVEN NAZI DOCTORS DIE ON THE GALLOWS

Landsberg, Germany, June 2.—Seven Nazi doctors, convicted of atrocious experimentation on prisoners, went to their deaths on Wednesday on the twin gallows used in the 1946 Neuremberg execution of topflight German war criminals.

Karl Brandt, personal physician to Hitler, was the most notorious of the group. He was arrogant and defiant as he mounted the steps of the gibbet at the dark grey stone prison where Hitler himself once served time.

All protested their innocence and the injustice of their "brutal fate" to the Americans. Each was allowed a few last words. One Joachim Mrugowsky cried: "I die as a German, sentenced by the brutal enemy, Germany will rise again." They were taken singly to the

Shot At His House On Election Eve

Prague, June 2.—A Moscow-trained member of the "inner circle" which runs the Czech Communist Party was murdered on the eve of the elections, authoritative sources reported today.

The nation's first big time war political murder came early on Thursday morning when an unknown gunman fired three shots into 41-year-old Augustin Sram, who trained Czech partisans in Moscow during the war.

"Brothers send you greetings," a gunman told Sram after he was called to the top of his home. Then he fired and fled.

A wide police search was reported unofficially to have brought several arrests.

News of the murder was withheld until yesterday when a three-line news item was published which identified Sram as a "resistance leader and partisan."

It is learned from authoritative sources, however, that Sram was a member of a tight circle of about half a dozen men who direct the policy and its execution from within the Communists' 52-man central committee.

Friends of the family disclosed Sram received an anonymous letter a day or two previously which "condemned him to death." It is reported that others received similar notes.

His friends said there was no question that the murder was political. But sources here, however, discounted the speculation that it came from a split within the top of the Party.

The shooting came at 7 o'clock on Thursday morning. Sram's wife was reported to have answered a knock at the door and to have returned inside after calling her husband. It was not known whether Sram died immediately after the shots were fired.

Sram was not widely known as one of the top men in the Communist Party. With the same nerve with which he trained his partisans he flung himself into his work in the central office of the Communist Party and in the organization of the partisan movement.

A brief tribute in the Army paper, Obrana Lidu said today: "Unofficially Sram was known as a specialist in partisan matters. Among other duties he was concerned with screening applicants for Party membership who claimed partisan service. He was also known to have been instrumental in purging 'unworthy' partisan members of the Communist Party."

Observers here speculated that enemies made in this connection might possibly be involved in the plot to oust Sram from his position as director of the investigation.—United Press.

Lords Negative Death Penalty Suspension

London, June 2.—The House of Lords refused tonight to agree with the Commons in suspending the death penalty in Britain for five years.

By a vote of 181 to 28 the Lords struck from the Commons-approved Criminal Justice Bill a clause suspending hangings, and then advised the bill to its third and final reading.

The free vote, which cut across party lines, came after two days of debate that jammed the Chamber and the galleries. If the Commons votes to reinstate the clause and approve the Bill three times during the current session, the measure would become law despite the Lords' disapproval.—Associated Press.

U.S. Task Force Leaves Malta

Malta, June 2.—The American naval squadron of the Eighth task force, comprising the cruiser Rochester, flagship of Vice-Admiral F. P. Sherman, the aircraft carrier Philippine Sea and five destroyers left here today after a five day visit for Suda Bay, Crete.

Fourteen American warships at present in the Mediterranean and European waters are due for relief about June 10.

The departure of the relief ships under the command of Rear-Admiral T. L. Sprague, Commander of the Sixth Carrier Division, was delayed because of a launch accident off the Atlantic coast, involving the death of the carrier Kearsage.—Reuter.

Japanese War Criminals' Plaint

Moscow, June 2.—The main Japanese war criminals had escaped trial and walked about free, Pravda, the Soviet Communist Party's newspaper, claimed today.

The paper said the chief culprits were the heads of Japanese industrial monopoly concerns. It severely criticised the "unfair attitude" of the American counsel at the International War Crimes Court in Tokyo and said the 28 defendants now on trial did not exhaust the chief Japanese war criminals.

"It is quite obvious that many of the chief war criminals have been hidden from trial and are at large instead of being in the dock," Reuter.

Super U.S. Airport

New York, June 2.—The world's largest airport—the New York International Airport at Idlewild Queens—opened on Tuesday.

Commercial flights at the \$200,000,000 airport which covers 5,000 acres are not expected to begin until July 1. The airport was opened on Tuesday for familiarisation and ferry flights. In full operation, Idlewild will have seven runways from 6,000 to 9,000 feet long and will be able to handle 1,000 flights every 24 hours.—United Press.

EMPIRE TALKS NEXT MONTH

London, June 2.—A Commonwealth conference to discuss diplomatic relations, security, defence and economic ties will be convened in London next month, it is learned from competent sources today.

The tentative date has been set for July 8.

Jawaharlal Pandit Nehru, Indian Premier is among the Commonwealth representatives who has accepted the invitation to personally attend the assembly, these sources added.

The political situation in Europe, the Dominion's desire for clarification of Britain's commitments under the Brussels Five-Power Pact and the Government changes in South Africa were said to have prompted Mr. Attlee to advance the meeting of the Commonwealth politicians. Original plans were for the meeting to be held in late autumn or early next year.

The agenda was understood to seek clarification of the Commonwealth countries' attitude and contribution to the Western Union, to deal with the question of common citizenship, and with the new situation in the Indian Ocean pending decision this year of India and Pakistan on whether they will retain Dominion status.—United Press.

No Surrender Of Honduras

London, June 2.—As British Honduras was British territory, it was not subject to the British Government could not consider its surrender against the wishes of its inhabitants on any other basis than that they had no legal right to it, Mr. Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, told Parliament today.

In this case, he added, the wishes of the inhabitants were quite clear. The constitutionally elected representatives of the people of British Honduras had spontaneously placed on record, on March 10, by means of a resolution carried unanimously in the colony's Legislative Council, the people's "unalterable wish that their national status as loyal British subjects and the position of their country as a component part of the British Commonwealth shall remain unchanged."

Similar resolutions of loyalty, he said, had also been passed at public meetings in various parts of the country.

The Foreign Secretary was answering a question asking what the Government's policy was towards a solution of the territorial dispute with Guatemala concerning British Honduras.—Reuter.

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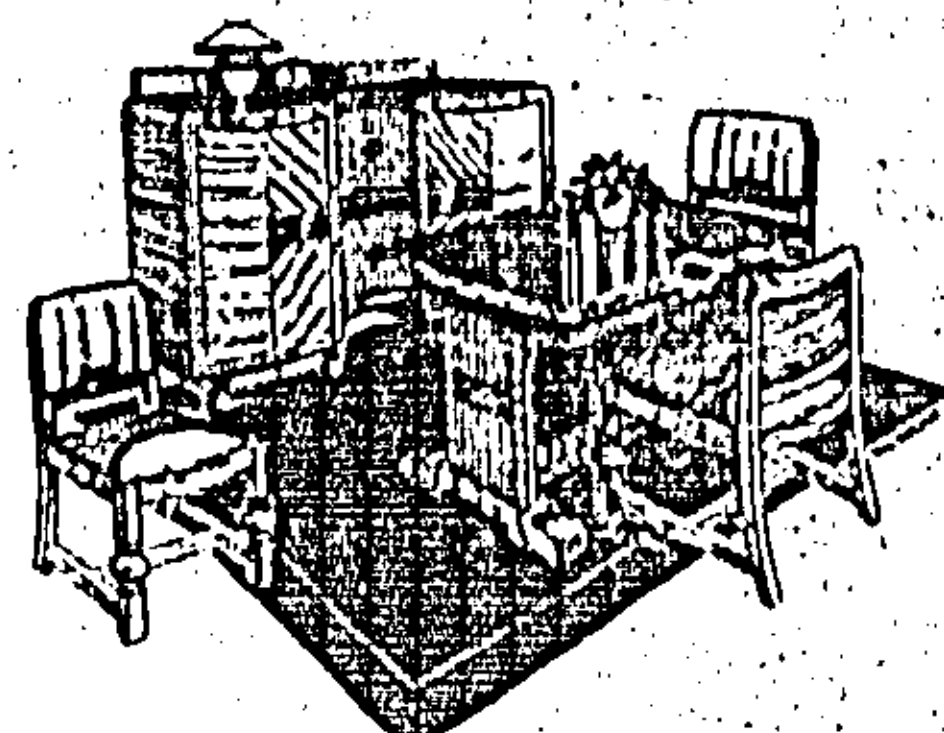
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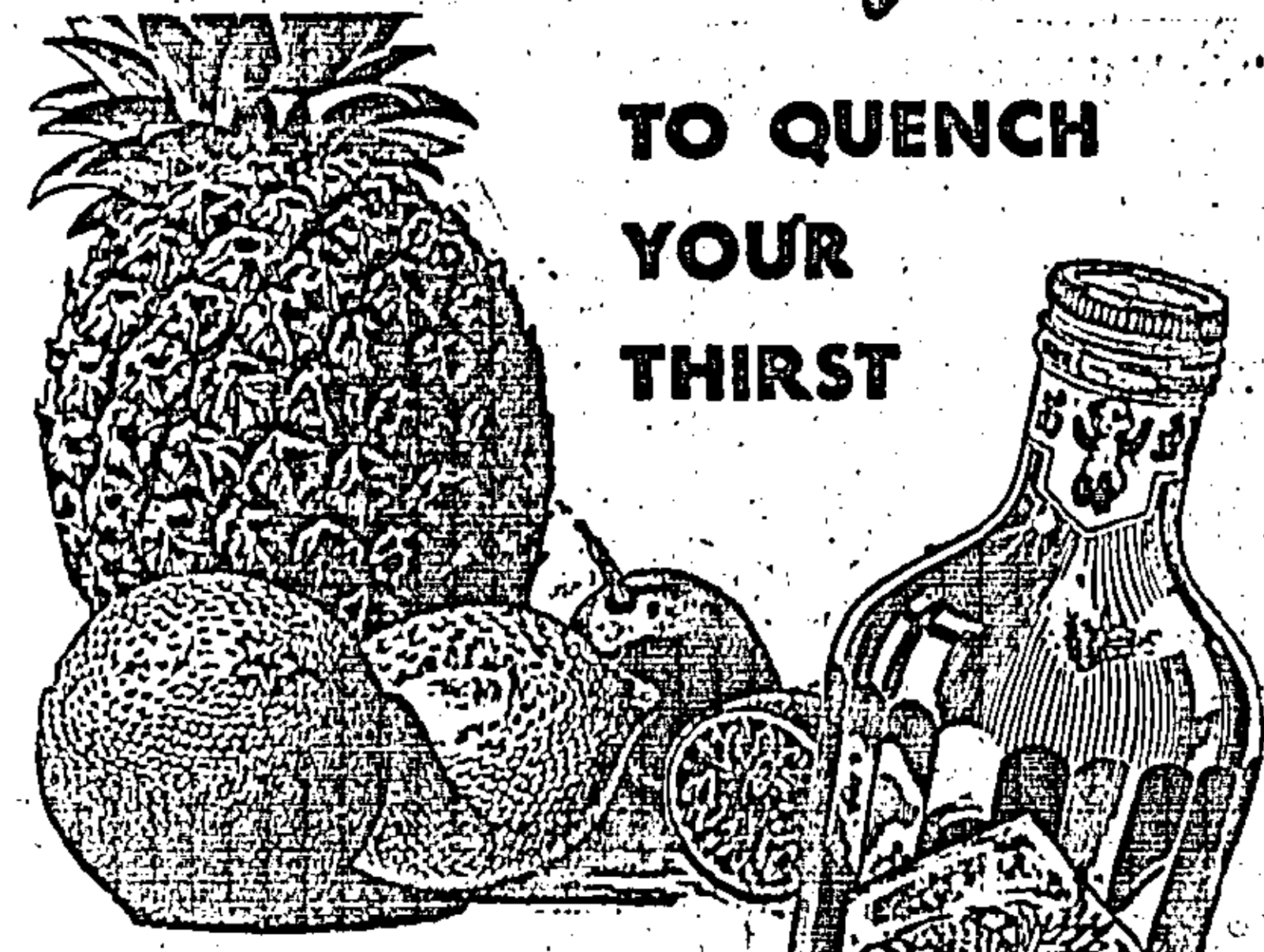
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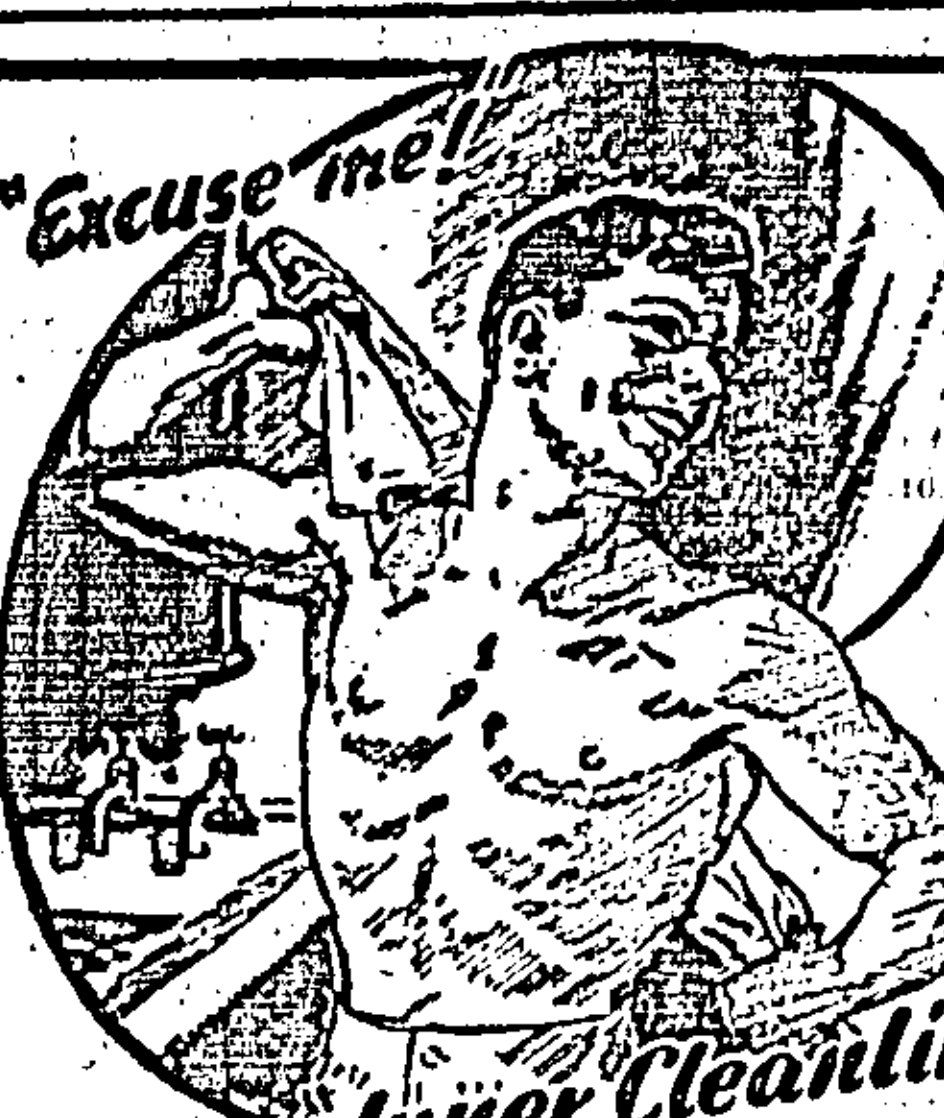
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